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The History and Coinage Of Ephesus

By **STUART MOSHER**

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There was a time when the name EPHESUS caused our remote ancestors to picture a glorious city, resplendent with the finest works of art, a city so wealthy that the famed Croesus envied it, spent a fortune to capture it, and another fortune to rebuild it.

Ephesus was situated on the west coast of Asia Minor. It was one of the earliest cities, being founded, according to Greek writers, about 1100 B. C. The situation of the city was such as at all times to command a great commerce. Of the three great river basins of Ionia and Lydia, those of Hermus, Cayster, and Maeander, it commanded the second and had a ready access by easy passes to the other two.

The original home of the moon Goddess Diana or, as she is often known, Artemis was at Ephesus. The temple known as the Artemision which was built in the early sixth century B. C., and which Croesus helped finance, was discovered by excavators on the last day of 1869 and excavations are still going on. The temple, about 400 by 200 feet, is one of the most remarkable examples of ancient architecture. The process of building it took 120 years. Being a city of such commercial and religious importance, it was natural that Ephesus became one of the important battle-grounds. A history of the early battles would consume more space than can be here afforded, so we will begin with the year 334 B. C., when Alexander the Great established a democratic form of government there.

In the coins illustrating this paper I have included those of some of the characters that played an important part in the history of Ephesus.

Soon after the death of Alexander, in 323 B. C., Lysimachus took control of the city and built a solid wall around it. He renamed the city Arsinoe, in honor of his wife, but the old name was soon restored. Ephesus was prosperous during the Hellenistic period, and is conspicuous both then and later for the abundance of its coinage, which gives us a more complete list of magistrates' names than we have for any other Ionian city.

After the defeat of Antiochus the Great (King of Syria) by the Romans, Ephesus was handed over by the conquerors to Eumenes (King of Pergamum) whose successor, Attalus Philadelphus, did the city much damage. Attalus had the queer idea that the shallowness of the city's harbor was due to the width of its entrance, so he built a mole part way across its mouth. This caused disastrous siltation to take place, almost ruining the shipping facilities.

As with the coinages of most ancient cities, those of Ephesus are closely associated with the symbolism of the local religion. The Ephesian goddess is represented as a female figure, the body a mummy-like trunk with the feet placed close together. She is many-breasted, and from each of her hands hangs a long fillet with tassels at the extremities. On either side stands a stag raising its head to the image of the goddess. The usual symbols of the cult of this nature-goddess are the Bee and the Stag, and it is noteworthy that the high priest of the temple of Artemis was called 'Eoonv, "The King Bee," while the virgin priestesses bore the name of Melissae, or Honey-Bees.



Tetradrachm, B. C. 387-295.

One of the earliest known inscribed coins, an electrum stater, is usually attributed to Ephesus. It is a unique piece, and the legend it bears has

given cause to considerable controversy. It is sometimes translated I AM THE BADGE OF PHANES, and again, I AM THE SIGN OF THE BRIGHT ONE.

One of the most handsome coins of Ephesus is a tetradrachm coined during the period B. C. 387 to 295. It is not an extremely rare coin and specimens will be found in many collections in America.



Didrachm, B. C. 258-202.

A silver didrachm struck at Ephesus, B. C. 258-202, during the time the Ptolemies were in power, shows on the obverse the head of Artemis. The reverse shows a half-stag, a bee, and the magistrate's name.



Drachm, B. C. 202-133.

The silver drachm that is illustrated was struck between B. C. 202-133. Its weight of 64 grs. is based on the Attic standard, a consequence resulting from the monetary alliance between Ephesus and Aradus.

From B. C. 133 to 48 the chief coinage of Ephesus consisted of Cistophorii. These coins, also struck at Pergamum, were, because of their weight and pureness, popular throughout Asia Minor.

From this period on the money of Ephesus was mostly supplied by the Romans, who had annexed it as a colony.

VICTORIA CROSS AWARD BY KING EDWARD VIII.

The Victoria Cross, the highest honor for gallantry in the British Empire, has just been awarded for the first time in fourteen years. In this particular case it was not only an award but a memorial for Capt. Godfrey Meynell, M. C., of the Queen's Fifth Battalion, Twelfth Frontier Force Regiment, Indian Army, as the gallant captain lost his life in the act of courage for which he gained the V. C.

The London Gazette says: "On September 29, last, while operating against Muhammadan tribesmen, Captain Meynell, then adjutant of the battalion, went forward to ascertain his situation and found the forward troops involved in a struggle against an enemy vastly superior in numbers. Although this party was maintaining a heavy and accurate fire, the overwhelming numbers of the latter succeeded in reaching their position. Throughout the action Captain Meynell encouraged his men by his fine example, coupled with his determination to hold his position, and maintained in every respect the fine traditions of the army, reflecting the highest credit on the fallen officer and his comrades."

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By O. P. EKLUND, Spokane, Wash.

(Continued from last month.)

SAXE-MEININGEN.

The main part of this Duchy was composed of the county and mine district of Henneberg.

Bernhard, 1680-1706.

1273. 1 heller, 1691-97. Obv., round ornate shield of arms, crowned. Rev., 1 | HELLER | H. MEIN (HENNEBERG MEININGEN) | date.
1274. 1 heller, 1694-95. Similar, but square shield between crossed branches.
1275. 1 heller, 1699. Obv., ornate shield of arms, crowned. Rev., MEIN | HELLER | 1699.
1276. 1 heller, 1699. Similar, but M | HELLER.

Hellers With Hen.



No. 1277.

1277. 1 heller, 1696-99. Obv., shield of arms crowned, between branches crossed below. Rev., FVRST. HEN. MEIN. HELLER. In field, a crowned hen, standing on a line to right, date in exergue.
1278. 1 heller, 1700. Obv., a crowned hen standing on a small mound to right. Rev., H | MEIN | HELLER | date.
1279. 1 heller, 1700-03. Similar, but the hen is facing to left, and MEIN-ING. etc., in legend.

Ernst Ludwig I, 1706-1724.

1280. 1 heller, 1714. Obv., E L script in monogram. Rev., M | HELLER | 1714.
1281. 1 heller, 1714. Similar, but the monogram crowned.

Charles Frederick, 1729-1743.

1282. 1 heller, 1738-42. Obv., ornate shield of arms, crowned. Rev., 1 | MEINING | HELLER | date.

Frederich William, 1743-1746.

1283. 1 heller, 1743-45. Type of last.

Anton Ulrich, 1746-1763.



No. 1289.

1284. 1 heller, 1755-61. Similar to preceding.
1285. 2 heller, 1761. Obv., similar. Rev., 2 | MEININ | HELLER | 1761.

1286. 1 heller, 1761. Obv., A V script, in monogram, crowned. Rev., value and date.
 1287. 3 heller, 1761. Similar.
 1288. 1 heller, 1762. Obv., a crowned hen standing on top of a mountain, to right. Rev., 1 | MEININ | HELLER | 1762.
 1289. 1 heller, 1762. Similar, but the hen is facing to left.

Charlotte Amelia, 1763-75, and 1782.

(As Guardian of Her Sons.)

1290. 1 heller, 1768. Obv., crowned hen, to left. Rev., 1 | MEINING | HELLER | 1768.
 1291. 1 heller, 1769. Obv., ornate shield of arms, crowned. Rev., similar to last.

Varieties of all of the above described coins are known, some of which are rare.

Bernhard Erich Freund, 1803-1866.

1292. $\frac{1}{4}$ kreuzer, 1812-23. Obv., HERZ. S. C. (SAXE-COBERG) MEININGEN. Crowned heart-shaped shield of arms. Rev., KREUZER LANDMUNZE, date. Fraction in center.
 1293. $\frac{1}{2}$ kreuzer, 1812-18. Similar.
 1294. 1 heller, 1814. Obv., similar. Rev., value and date.
 1295. 1 heller, 1814. Similar, but H. S. C. MEININGEN.
 1296. 1 pfenning, 1818-26. Similar, but HERZ. S. C. etc., and a festooned line under the date.
 1297. 1 kreuzer, 1814-18. Similar.
 1298. $\frac{3}{8}$ kreuzer, 1828. Obv., similar, but HERZ. S. MEININGEN. (C. or "COBURG" omitted), and square shield. Rev., KREUZER LAND MUNZE, date. Fraction in center.
 1299. $\frac{1}{4}$ kreuzer, 1828-32. Similar.
 1300. $\frac{1}{2}$ kreuzer, 1828-32. Similar.



No. 1301.

1301. 1 kreuzer, 1828-31. Obv., similar. Rev., value and date, a festooned line below.
 1302. 1 kreuzer, 1831-35. Similar, but HERZOG. S. etc.
 1303. 1 pfenning, 1832-35. Similar.
 1304. 2 pfenning, 1832-35. Similar.
 1305. 1 pfenning, 1839-42. Obv., crowned shield of arms divides S—M within a wreath of oak. Rev., value and date.
 1306. 2 pfenning, 1839-42. Similar.



No. 1307.

1307. 1 kreuzer, 1842. Similar.
 1308. $\frac{1}{4}$ kreuzer, 1854. Obv., HERZOGTHUM SACHSEN MEININGEN. Crowned shield of arms. Rev., value and date.
 1309. $\frac{1}{2}$ kreuzer, 1854. Similar.

1310. 1 kreuzer, 1854. Similar.
 1311. 1 pfenning, 1860-66. Similar, but with SCHEIDE MUNZE on reverse.
 1312. 2 pfenning, 1860-66. Similar.

George II, 1866-

1313. 1 pfenning, 1867-68. Type of last.
 1314. 2 pfenning, 1867-70. Similar.

SAXE-NEU-EISENACH.

John William, 1698-1729.

1315. 1 heller, 1700. Obv., crowned shield of arms between palm branches, crossed below. Rev., 1 | HELLER | F. E. L. (FURSTLICH EISENACH'SCHE LANDMUNZE) | 1700.
 1316. 1 heller, 1716. Obv., similar. Rev., E | HELLER | 1716.
 1317. 1 heller, 1716-17. Obv., J W script, in monogram, crowned. Rev., similar to last.

William Henry, 1729-1741.

1318. 1 heller, 1735-36. Obv., W H script, in monogram, crowned. Rev., 1 | EISENACH | HELLER | date.
 1319. 1 pfenning, 1729. Obv., similar to last. Rev., 1 | LEICHTER | PFENNING | SCHEIDE | MVNTZ | date.
 1320. 1 pfenning, 1731. Similar, but "LEICHTER" is omitted.
 1321. II pfenning, 1733-35. Similar.

After the death of this duke, Neu Eisenach was united with Weimar.

SAXE-ROMHILD.

Henry, 1680-1710.

1322. 1 heller, 1690. Obv., crowned H between palm branches. Rev., ROMHL | HELLER, in German script, date below. Very rare.

SAXE-SAALFELD.

John Ernst, 1680-1729.

1323. 1 heller, 1688-96. Obv., crowned shield of arms, between palm branches, crossed below. Rev., SAALF | HELLER in old German script, date under.
 1324. 1 heller, 1692-96. Obv., similar. Rev., SAALF | HELLER | date.
 1325. 1 heller, 1696-1702. Similar, but without branches.
 1326. 1 heller, 1700-01. Obv., similar to last, but with branches. Rev., SAAL | FELD | HELLER | date.
 1327. 1 heller, 1719-29. Obv., ornate shield of arms, crowned. Rev., SAALFELD | HELLER. In field, J E script, in monogram, crowned, date at sides.
 1328. 1 pfenning, 1724. Obv., J E script, in monogram, crowned. Rev., 1 | PFENNING | F. S. SAALFELD | L. MUNTZ | 1724.

Christian Ernst and Francis Josias, 1729-1745.

1329. 1 heller, 1730. Obv., ornate shield of arms, crowned. Rev., SAALFELD | HELLER | 1730.
 1330. 1 heller, 1731-45. Obv., oval shield of arms, crowned, between crossed palm branches. Rev., 1 | SAAL | FELDER | HELLER | date.

Francis Josias, 1745-1764.

1331. 1 heller, 1746-63. Similar to last.
 1332. 1 heller, 1750-59. Similar, but ornate shield, and the branches omitted.
 1333. 1 pfenning, 1761-62. Obv., F J D S ("FRANCIS JOSIAS DUKE OF

SACSONY") script, in monogram, crowned. Rev., value, SCHEIDE
| MUNZE | date.

Ernst Frederick, 1764-1800.



No. 1339.

1334. $\frac{1}{2}$ pfenning, 1772. Obv., ornate shield of arms, crowned, H. S. C. S. S. M. ("Duchy of Saxe-Coburg-Saalfeld's minor money") above. Rev., value, SCHEIDE | MUNZ | date, in straight lines.
1335. 1 pfenning, 1770-72. Similar.
1336. $\frac{1}{2}$ pfenning, 1772. Similar.
1337. $\frac{1}{2}$ pfenning, 1798-1800. Obv., similar to last. Rev., value and date in curved lines. The size reduced.
1338. 1 pfenning, 1798. Similar, but with SCHEIDE MUNZ on reverse.
1339. $\frac{1}{2}$ pfenning, 1799. Similar, but without SCHEIDE MUNZ.

Francis, 1800-1806.

1340. 1 pfenning, 1804-05. Obv., crowned oval shield of arms decorated with garlands of leaves, H. S. C.—S. S. M. above. Rev., value and date, a line with garlands underneath.
1341. III pfenning, 1806. Similar.

Ernst I, 1806-1844.



No. 1346.

1342. 1 heller, 1809. Obv., crowned script E between laurel branches, crossed below. Rev., value and date, H. S. C. S. S. M. above.
1343. 1 pfenning, 1809-10. Similar.
1344. 2 pfenning, 1810. Similar.
1345. 2 pfenning, 1817-18. Similar, but smaller.
1346. 4 pfenning, 1809-20. Similar. Coined in 1809, 1810, 1818 and 1820.
1347. 1 heller, 1809-24. Obv., shield of arms decorated with garlands of leaves, and crowned. Rev., value and date, H. S. C. S. S. M. above.
1348. 1 pfenning, 1808-24. Obv., similar, but with H. S. C.—S. S. M. above. Rev., value and date, a line with garlands below.



No. 1350.

1349. III pfenning, 1807-08. Similar. (1807 rare.)
1350. 3 pfenning, 1821-26. Similar.

(To be continued.)

Descriptive List of Obsolete Paper Money

By D. C. WISMER, Hatfield, Pa.

PART I—Embracing the Circulating Notes Issued by State Banks, Private Banks, Bankers and Corporations.

Abbreviations { R.—Right end illustration.
C.—Central illustration on note.
L.—Left end illustration.

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(Continued from last month.)

WISCONSIN (Continued).

OZAUKEE.

Ozaukee County Bank. (Organized 1858.)

Vail, James W. (Banker in 1860.)

PEPIN.

Chippewa Bank.

(Organized 1856. Capital \$50,000. Closed 1861. 1863 outstanding circulation \$1,695.)

339. \$5. C., title, two horses and train below. R., Indian, 5 above. L., State arms, 5 above. 1856.

Oakwood Bank (North Pepin).

(Established 1855. 1857 Capital \$50,000. Ceased business in 1862. Refer to Oakwood Bank, North Pepin, for description of notes.)

PLATTEVILLE.

Bank of Grant County.

(1858 Capital \$50,000. May 28th, 1861, circulation \$60,016. In 1863 list.)

E. R. Hinckley & Co.'s Bank of Grant County.

- 340. \$1. C., woman and boy, girl running to meet farmer, 1 across right. R., State arms, 1 above. L., ONE across.
- 341. \$2. C., drove of cattle going down to stream, 2 at left. R., State arms, 2 above. L., TWO across, 2 above.
- 342. \$5. C., two men at work in mine, FIVE below. R., 5 above and below. L., State arms, 5 above. Black and red print. 1857.
- 343. \$10. C., title, farmer plowing with yoke of oxen below. R., agricultural implements, 10 above, TEN below. L., State arms, X above.

Hodges, J. (Private Banker in 1846.)

PORTAGE CITY.

Bank of Moneka. (Organized 1862. Capital \$50,000. In 1863 list.)

Bank of Portage.

(Established 1858. Capital \$50,000. In liquidation in 1862. Notes redeemed at 78.6c. on the dollar.)

- 344. \$1. C., State arms. R., portrait of Buchanan, 1 above. L., scene at mill door, 1 on upper corner.

345. \$2. C., State arms. R., allegorical figure, 2 above, TWO below. L., Revolutionary skirmish, elderly man and woman with muskets, 2 above.
346. \$3. C., State arms. R., rafting scene, THREE and 3 above. L., agricultural implements, 3 above.
347. \$5. C., two Indians on horseback attacked by bear. R., scene at railroad depot, 5 above. L., State arms, 5 above.

Columbia County Bank.

(Organized 1854. Capital \$25,000. July 3, 1854, circulation \$24,993. Failed 1874.)

348. \$1. C., title, train below. R., William Penn, ONE above. L., ONE, 1 above, State arms below.
349. \$2. C., two cows standing on edge of stream, cattle and sheep on the land. R., Ceres, 2 above. L., State arms, small 2 above.
350. \$5. C., goddess Aurora dismounting from her chariot. R., train, 5 above. L., State arms, 5 above, FIVE below.

PRAIRIE DU CHIEN.

Bank of Prairie du Chien, (First). (Organized 1856. Capital \$50,000.)

Bank of Prairie du Chien (Second).

(Commenced business 1862. Suspended business April 10th, 1867.)

351. \$1. C., steamboat, Prairie du Chien and St. Paul. R., Indian chief, ONE below. L., State arms, ONE above.
352. \$2. C., wild horses. R., State arms, 2 above. L., two girls carrying grain, 2 above.
353. \$3. C., rafting scene. R., farmer seated, 3 above. L., State arms, 3 above.
354. \$5. C., State arms, load of hay, cattle, train and bridges below. R., two women, 5 above. L., boy carrying rake and keg, 5 above.

PRESCOTT.

City Bank of Prescott. (Established 1858. Capital \$50,000. In 1863 list.)

355. \$1. C., Justice seated on throne, eagle on shield; train, bridge, harbor and mountains in distance. R., State arms, 1 above, ONE below. L., blacksmith at forge, ONE below.
356. \$2. C., State arms. R., boy watering two horses, 2 above. L., three men, one on horseback watering horse at trough, 2 above.
357. \$3. C., Justice. R., State arms, 3 above. L., train, 3 in each corner.
358. \$5. C., cattle and sheep on bank of stream, portrait of girl at right. R., State arms, 5 above, FIVE below. L., V above, 5 below.

RACINE.

Bank of Racine.

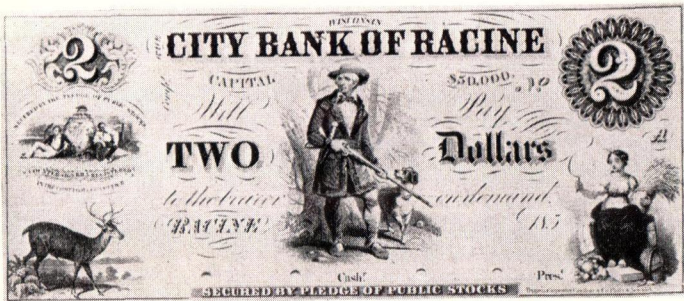
(Organized 1852 under the new law. McCrea, Bell & Ullman, proprietors. Capital \$50,000. 1853 circulation \$33,136. Discontinued 1872.)

359. \$1. C., man watering horses from trough. R., State arms, 1 above. L., country road, oxen, load of hay, 1 above.
360. \$2. C., locomotive and train of cars. R., State arms, 2 above. L., portrait of young lady, 2 above and below.
361. \$3. C., two men, one of them watering horse. R., State arms, 3 above. L., three cherubs sporting in figure 3, 3 above.
362. \$5. C., harvest scene, State arms at right. R., portrait of Webster, 5 above, FIVE below. L., portrait of Washington, 5 above, FIVE below.

City Bank of Racine.

(July 3, 1854, capital \$50,000. Circulation \$34,991. Closed prior to 1860. Time of redemption of notes expired Dec. 31, 1862.)

363. \$1. C., two horses and colt in field. R., ONE, 1 above, State arms below. L., portrait, 1 above.



No. 364.

364. \$2. C., hunter with dog and gun. R., Ceres, 2 above. L., State arms, 2 above, deer below.
 365. \$3. C., Eliot preaching to the Indians. R., girl with sheaf, 3 above. L., State arms, THREE above, portrait of lady below.
 366. \$5. C., group of people hailing a passing train. R., farmer gathering corn, 5 above. L., Indian, State arms below.

Commercial Bank of Racine. (1858 Capital \$100,000. In 1863 list.)

367. \$1. C., portrait of child. R., State arms, 1 above. L., railroad depot, steamboat landing and wharf, 1 above.
 368. \$1. C., title, blacksmith at forge on lower right, farmer feeding horse on lower left. R., sailor, 1 above. L., milkmaid and two cows, State arms and ONE above.
 369. \$2. C., title, river view, train, village, another train crossing river on bridge and distant mountains below. R., State arms, 2 above. L., lady, 2 above.
 370. \$3. C., portrait of lady, State arms below. R. and L., portrait, 3 above.

Foster & Ullman (Private Bankers in 1860.)

Northrup & Co., B. B.

(Private Bankers in 1860. Succeeded by Manufacturers National Bank in 1871.)

Racine County Bank.

(Established 1854. Capital \$100,000. Succeeded by First National Bank in 1864.)

371. \$1. C., portrait of Washington between two cherubs; State arms at left. R., child with basket, 1 above. L., Liberty, ONE above.
 372. \$2. C., Vulcan seated, Ceres and Commerce in background, State arms at upper left. R., 2 above, TWO below. L., child, TWO above, 2 below.
 373. \$3. C., Ceres seated, blacksmith on right, sailor on left, State arms at upper left. R., 3 above. L., sailor, 3 above.
 374. \$5. C., cows standing in water, train in background. R., FIVE on 5 on oval supported by three allegorical figures. L., State arms, FIVE above, 5 below.

Racine Exchange of Elisha Raymond (1846).

Richmond Exchange Bank.

375. \$1. C., Liberty and eagle, 1 right. L., portrait of girl, one above. 1853.

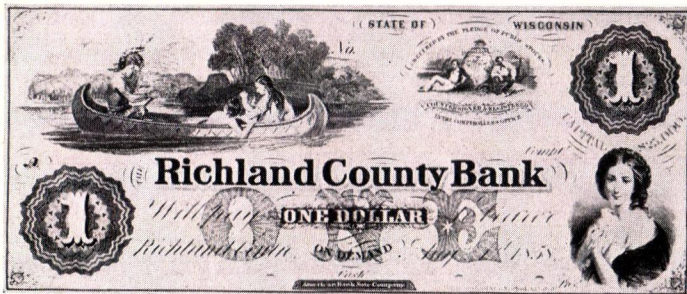
Ullman & Bell (Private Bankers.)**REEDSBURGH.****Reedsburgh Bank.**

(Organized 1859. Capital \$50,000. Closed 1861. Notes redeemed at 75 ½ c. on the dollar in 1862.)

376. \$2. C., harvest scene, distant city. R., State arms, 2 above. L., Ceres, 2 above.
 377. \$3. C., scene at mill door. R., State arms, 3 above. L., girl with sickle, 3 above.

RICHLAND CENTRE.**Richland County Bank. (1858 Capital \$25,000.)**

378. \$1. C., State arms. R., portrait of girl with dove, 1 above. L., Indian paddling canoe in which are Indian maid, papoose and boy; mountains and forest in background, 1 below. ONE in red. 1858.

**No. 378.**

379. \$2. C., shield, Indian seated on right, Commerce seated on left. R., portrait of young lady, 2 above. L., State arms, 2 above. 1858.

RIPON.**Bank of Ripon.**

(Organized 1856. 1857 Capital \$25,000. Succeeded by First National Bank 1864. First National Bank was consolidated with the American National Bank in March, 1930, with title of First National Bank.)

380. \$1. C., portrait of child. R., State arms, 1 above. L., cattle and sheep, 1 below.
 381. \$2. C., passenger train. R., girl feeding chickens, 2 above. L., State arms, 2 above.
 382. \$5. C., surveyor at work, portrait of young lady at left. R., State arms, 5 above. L., agricultural implements, 5 above.

Prairie City Bank. (1861 Capital \$25,000. In 1863 List.)

383. \$2. C., farmer leaning on fence patting dog. R., State arms, 2 above, TWO below. L., two children, 2 above.
 384. \$3. C., boy cutting stick, girl near by, cattle and sheep under tree. R., dog and safe, 3 above. L., State arms, 3 above.

ROCHESTER.**Bank of Rochester.**

(To be continued.)

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Editorial Comment—Numismatic News

MR. FOSTER'S WORK JUST OFF THE PRESS.

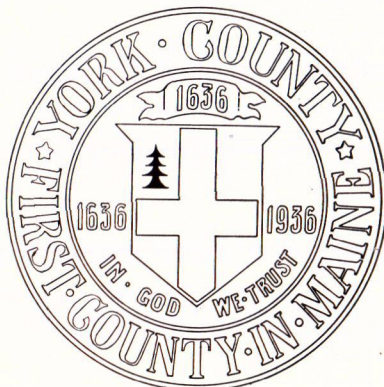
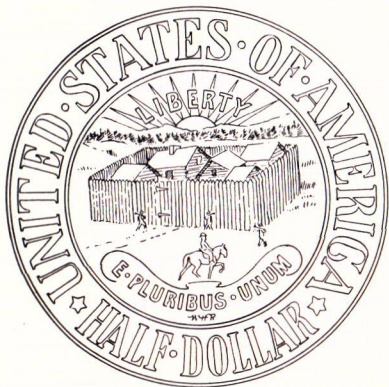
After a slight delay the work, "Historical Arrangement of United States Commemorative Coins," by Charles W. Foster, Librarian and Curator of the American Numismatic Association, has been published as Guide Bulletin No. 4 by the Rochester (N. Y.) Museum of Arts and Sciences. With the present very great interest in commemorative coins, the book is timely and will serve as a splendid reference work. The Rhode Island half dollar is the latest to be included.

Mr. Foster has arranged the coins according to periods of history of the United States instead of in chronological order. This has the effect of leaving several of the coins without a definite place in the series, and the author has included them under suitable headings. The number of these will be greatly increased with the numerous issues of 1936.

But it is a very desirable book to have within easy reach. Typographically it is almost perfect. Its most serious defect, perhaps, is that many of the illustrations are not as clear as collectors would wish. This, however, is not the fault of the author or the printer. Silver coins with mint luster just have a way of refusing to photograph well.

The York County Half Dollar

The bill authorizing the York County (Maine) half dollar was signed by President Roosevelt on June 26 and became Public Law No. 822. The bill authorized the issue of 25,000 pieces, and all will be struck at the Philadelphia Mint. It is expected the coins will be ready for distribution at the celebration of the 300th anniversary of the settlement of York county, which will take place in August. The designs are shown below. They were made by Walter H. Reed, of Portland, Maine, artist, and have been approved by the Fine Arts Commission, at Washington, with the exception that it has requested the date and ribbon above the seal be removed. This date appears elsewhere on the same side of the coin.



The obverse shows the old stockade on the Saco river, on which site now stands the York National Bank, the first and oldest bank in Maine. The stockade was called Brown's Garrison. The reverse shows the seal of York county.

Walter P. Nichols, secretary and treasurer of the York County Tercentenary Commemorative Coin Commission, who is a member of the A. N. A., will have charge of the distribution. He says:

"The issue is limited to 25,000 coins, 10,000 of which are to be reserved for residents of York county and the State of Maine, therefore, we anticipate the entire issue will be sold the day it is released. The price has been set at \$1.65 per coin, which includes packing, postage and insurance. Each order must be accompanied by a check or money order for the full amount of the order. The committee will endeavor to give preference to the applications in order of their receipt, subject to the following conditions: It is the intention of the committee that there shall be as wide a distribution of these coins to private collectors as possible, and for this reason the committee reserves the right to reject, in whole or in part, all orders. If the committee decides to reject or scale down any order, refund will be made at the expiration of the distribution of the issue."

COMPLAINS OF UNETHICAL CONDUCT OF DEALERS.

I should like to register an open protest against two of the abuses practiced by some of the smaller coin merchants.

First is the use of the published names of A. N. A. applicants as a "sucker list" for the mailing of approvals. The recipient of unsolicited coins may appear flattered at first, but he soon realizes that he receives no "bargains" that way and that it takes both time and money to send them back.

Second is the custom of sending an order short and waiting for the customer to complain. This has happened to me four times in about two

months. And what do you think their reasons were? 1. "Have to go to the vault to get it." 2. "Ran short, but am getting one this week." 3. "Ran out of it; thought I sent it, but my records show that I didn't, and besides, I've been busy writing a book." 4. "One quarter more or less makes no difference."

Isn't the time ripe for a numismatic code of ethics?

LEROY D. SOFF.

Long Island City, N. Y., July 8, 1936.

(Editor's Note—We can hardly regard the published list of applicants as a "sucker list." It is necessary to publish such a list. It contains names of men that have been collectors for a long time in addition to new ones. It is just possible that some of the new ones do not object to receiving circulars and catalogs from dealers, as well as occasional lots on approval. When these approvals are not asked for or wanted, wholesome treatment would be to notify the dealer by postcard that the lots will be returned upon receipt of postage. The second complaint is more serious. The words "waiting for the customer to complain" suggests that an adjustment has been or can be made. An appropriate heading for a list of dealers guilty of continued practices of this kind would be "Dealers I no longer patronize.")

We are heartily in favor of a code of ethics if it would eliminate some of the advertising in certain publications similar to the one before us as we write, which reads, in part, as follows: "We will pay for 1909 cents up to \$10 each; large copper cents, \$2,000; silver dollars before 1874, \$2,500," etc., etc., etc.)

What Price Recent Issues?

Or Bulls vs. Optimists

By ROBERT H. LLOYD

It is not surprising that the wave of new collectors who have been created largely by the attention focused on money since the repudiation of the gold standard and the issue of large numbers of special coins for sale to collectors should turn out some amusing price trends. Of this large group of newcomers it is natural that some should turn to dealings in numismatic specimens, and thereby create, through lack of experience, some fantastic prices.

It is reasonable to suppose that the number of new coins or current issues laid aside each year tends to be more or less constant. In view of the fact that there are more collectors today than formerly, shall we say that the quantity of new issues put away and into collections is probably larger today than it has been?

Yet, despite a growing interest which would tend only to strengthen a market, we find prices soaring to ridiculous heights, in many cases in multiples of five and ten times face value for silver and copper coins less than a decade in age.

Old numismatists will tell us that the field of collecting seems to experience a cycle in the same manner as general business. Not only does this cycle manifest itself in rising and falling prices, but there appears to be some variation in the number of newly created collectors from year to year. Without doubt it is accelerated by economic changes in money issues, and surely these collectors are reduced in number by the grinding forces of recurring depressions.

In scanning prices today we find dealers offering Lincoln cents, the coinage of which is usually expressed in millions or tens of millions, at prices of ten to seventy-five cents, five-cent nickel coins from thirty to ninety cents, dimes in terms of dollars, and quarters in prices ranging from one to five dollars—all for pieces issued from the mints since 1915!

If one could take this seriously the natural thing to do would be to conserve the very coins in one's pocket change, since they, too, must be worth a premium if the uncirculated coins are worth such nice sums. Hence we should not spend any of our coins, but continue to break dollar notes and save our change. Can it be true? Or does the fact that a few dealers can boom the price of a common piece deceive us? Remember

the coinage tables of all the small coins tend to run into figures of many millions. When will collectors be so numbered? Can anyone corner such a market?

The favorite coin today to boom is the MacNeil quarter, or the type known as "standing figure of Liberty," 1916-1930. Up to 1925 the dates were engraved very lightly, similar to that of the five-cent nickel, with the result that they are soon obliterated from circulation. Many millions of pieces in current use are found to be so badly worn that dates are not discernible. But does this mean that those pieces well preserved are rare? Is it possible, through some freak of men's nature, that very few saved new quarters during the years 1916-1925?

It must be remembered that collectors never go to circulation when they are saving choice coins in mint condition. Those who collect quarter dollars are not disturbed because the dates have worn off the pieces left in circulation. They have their pieces mint, and care not a whit that the average of these coins wear rapidly in use.

Hence the argument advanced by some that it must follow that the choice pieces are rare cannot be substantiated. If it were so, then all previous quarter dollars should be priced in multiples of dollars likewise. Why should any quarter dollars issued since 1917 be more scarce than those issued from 1853 to 1915? The coinage was larger and the retention of new specimens probably several times larger in all these recent years.

But let us, for the sake of argument, take an example to illustrate a lesson in economics. Let us select a common half dollar, 1917, Philadelphia mint, some twelve million coined, and very common in circulation. Let us advertise and offer \$2.00 each for these pieces. Our advertising returns bring us only a few pieces. We raise the offering to four dollars. A few more pieces trickle in. The coins are scarce—we cannot get them. So we raise our price to ten dollars and succeed in getting only a dozen or so in addition. The coin must be rare—they cannot be had even at this price!

Are we to infer that it is now a rarity? Or are collectors and people smart enough to withhold coins for better prices? One who openly publishes his bid on the stock market will get little stock. Most of us will wait for him to bid higher, will we not? As fast as he raises the bid, the more we tend to hold on to our stock. So it is with coins. Men are not fools. Rising bids tend to hold back the supply. Why sell when prices will go higher? Numismatists who recklessly bid up coins may find themselves badly in the bag when the tide turns. The mere fact that coins do not come out at generous bids is a very poor index of their scarcity. A man with a duplicate has an eye for profits! So the old law works—supply, demand and the supply of purchasing power.

I believe that we all like to be optimistic of the future of American Numismatics. It would be well if all coins would enjoy a steady slow enhancement of value. It allows one to buy if a beginner, and aids the large collection by adding to its net worth. Shall we be optimists or will we join the small group of bulls who can shamelessly offer a new 1919 Lincoln cent (more than 500,000,000 coined) at a price of seventy-five cents? There must be a happy medium somewhere!

CHAUTAUQUA INAUGURATES ANNUAL EXHIBIT.

Stamp and coin collectors in the Chautauqua (N. Y.) district are already planning their exhibits for the Stamp and Coin Rally scheduled for August 12th. The Chautauqua County Stamp, Coin and Curio Club, of which John O. Bowman is president, will welcome additions to the exhibit from collectors of rare stamps and coins, headquarters of which will be in the Hotel Athenaeum. Any collectors not yet contacted may write for details to Mr. Bowman at the Court House, Mayville.

T. James Clarke, of Jamestown, President of the American Numismatic Association, will have on display his large collection of coins. Roscoe B. Martin, past president of the American Philatelic Society, will be in charge of the stamp exhibition, while numerous other interested local collectors will be present to exchange and sell specimens both of coins and stamps.

Stamp and Coin Day is expected to be an annual affair and much hinges on the reception given to this first event at Chautauqua.

Financing An Issue Of Commemorative Coins

And Selling Coins Over The Counter

According to the monthly reports of the Bureau of the Mint, none of the new commemorative half dollars authorized by Congress this year had been coined to July 1, 1936. Some fifteen or sixteen issues had been authorized when Congress adjourned, nine of which had been signed by the President. The designs of only a few have been approved, and it is probable that the coinage and distribution of many of them will be delayed until later in the year.

Several of these issues are being advertised at this time in *The Numismatist* with expectation of delivery in the near future. It is gratifying to note that in several instances members of the A. N. A. are being placed in charge of the distribution of the coins by the sponsoring commissions. In some cases blank subscription forms are being sent to A. N. A. members with requests to send in orders early. These blanks are numbered, and when a subscriber returns his filled-in blank, accompanied by cash, money order or check, he has a right to expect delivery of the coins within a reasonable time after they have been turned over to the distributors. In numerous recent cases, after waiting several weeks, subscribers have been notified that the issue has been oversubscribed and the money is being returned.

To withdraw 10,000 commemorative coins of any issue from the mint requires a payment of \$5,000, which is not a very large sum to raise for a group of substantial citizens comprising a commission. Arrangements could be made with any bank in the country to have it lay down \$5,000 at the mint and receive in exchange \$5,000 worth of silver half dollars in exchange. The financing of any issue of commemorative coins should be a simple matter.

But is manifestly unfair to ask or expect collectors and subscribers to finance such an issue, either partially or entirely, for, stripped of everything except the bare facts, that is what it amounts to. And it is particularly unfair to a subscriber, after waiting many weeks, to have his money returned with the statement that the issue is oversubscribed, after he had helped, even in a small way, to finance it.

A case in point comes to us in a letter dated the early part of July. It refers to an issue that has been authorized, but which has not yet been advertised in *The Numismatist*. The writer says:

"I saw a letter this morning from a party who had sent them (the commission) \$40 for coins, and they told them they had cashed their checks and would hold up their order until they filled the smaller orders, and if they had any left they would fill the order, and if not, they would return the money."

This is manifestly unfair to the collector. In most cases he is urged to send in his order early, and when he complies he has a right to expect to receive within a reasonable time the coins he has bought and paid for.

A feature of the distribution of some of the issues that has caused much criticism from collectors is the very plain announcement by the commission that the local buyers will be taken care of first. From the viewpoint of disinterested parties, this is not illogical. It is fair to assume that there will be a demand for the coins from local citizens, who are not in the slightest degree interested in them as collectors. But we cannot imagine that there are thousands of such persons interested to the extent of being willing to pay three, four or five times face value for the coins. But the stand of the distributors to take care of the local demand first should not be criticized too harshly. We assume that with some of the commissions the sale of the coins in the most advantageous way for them is the objective. Even those collectors who complain the most about supplying the local demand first will probably admit that selling the coins over the counter for cash is far preferable to distributing them by mail to out-of-town buyers.

The situation is not improved if a commission announces that a large part of the issue has been placed with banks throughout the State for sale

over the counter, and at the time checks are being returned to would-be buyers a goodly proportion of the coins placed with the banks remain unsold. And in such cases the distributors or commissions will find it hard to allay suspicion that some of the coins are purposely being held for a rise in price later.

The mailing of several thousand coins, either singly or in small lots, is a task from which distributors naturally shrink because of the expense of clerical and packing assistance, even if postage, registration, insurance, etc., are paid by the buyer, and which is largely eliminated by selling the coins over the counter or through banks for similar delivery. This feature of distribution is forcibly illustrated in the following letter received in July. For obvious reasons we are not disclosing the name of the issue:

"We would prefer not to have any further publicity regarding the _____ coins. We have been simply deluged with applications and it is taking five stenographers and three clerks to handle our mail. Even at that we are several thousand letters behind. We have had about 50,000 applications for 5000 sets of _____ coins. We tried to secure a larger number of coins, but were disappointed, as the bill for the additional quantity did not pass. Under the circumstances, we prefer not to send photographs of the coins. We are still receiving about 1000 letters a day, so anything that would accelerate inquiries is certainly not to be desired."

The pages of *The Numismatist* for several months past have been replete with letters criticizing methods of distribution of some of the issues. In some cases there seems to be good grounds for complaint. The disappointed ones, either through tardiness in placing orders or for some other reason, have been compelled to buy at a much higher price than originally asked if their collections were to be kept complete. And this disappointment has not been lessened by a knowledge that some dealers have been able to get a stock of a particular issue, when an early order for a single coin or two of the same issue was not filled.

What shall we do about it? Suppose you come to the convention of the A. N. A. at Minneapolis, August 22 to 27, 1936, and talk the matter over with other collectors from many different States. Much greater problems than the one before us have been solved by friendly conferences and exchange of opinions.

NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS AND CORRESPONDENTS.

In order that the editor may attend the Minneapolis Convention of the A. N. A. it will be necessary to arrange for the printing of the September issue a few days earlier than usual. Advertisers and correspondents are requested to send in their copy by August 12. All forms will close August 12.

A RARE RUSSIAN COIN.



At the June meeting of the New York Numismatic Club I. Snyderman exhibited a gold rubel of Vasilii Ivanovitch Chouiski, Czar of Russia, 1606-1610. The piece is illustrated here.

Status of Commemorative Coins

A summary of the status of bills for commemorative coins when Congress adjourned has been furnished by Edward L. Weikert, Jr., president of the Washington Numismatic Society.

Bills which became laws are as follows:

Columbia, S. C.
Cincinnati Music Festival.
Great Lakes Exposition (Cleveland).
Long Island, N. Y.
New Rochelle, N. Y.
Swedes in Delaware.
Bridgeport, Conn.
Wisconsin.
Lynchburg, Va.
Battle of Gettysburg, Pa.
Elgin, Ill.
York County, Maine.
Roanoke Island, N. C.
Golden Gate Bridge, San Francisco, Cal.
Albany, N. Y.

Bills for the following were approved by the President after being amended to read "medal" instead of "coin":

Norfolk, Va.
Tri-State, Shreveport, La.
Whitman Centennial, Walla Walla, Wash.

The bill for a change in the design of the Arkansas half dollar was approved, but was limited to one design (the bill asked for three designs). The bill to permit the Texas half dollar to have five new designs died in conference.

The House failed to concur in a Senate amendment for the Anteitam coin.

The Steinmetz and Francisco Vasquez de Coronado bills passed the House only.

Other bills which failed included:

Wilkinsburg, Pa.
International Peace Garden.
Continental Army at Morristown, N. J.
Michigan.
World's Fair, New York City.
Constitution Sesquicentennial.

It is reported that the Hartford (Conn.) issue was abandoned by its sponsors.

ADDRESSES OF COMMEMORATIVE COIN COMMISSIONS.

Following are the addresses of the commissions for which commemorative coins have been approved. These are printed for the information of our readers. All inquiries regarding such coins should be addressed to the parties mentioned:

Albany, N. Y.—Jacob Cheris, 2 Chestnut Street, Albany, N. Y.
Bridgeport—Bridgeport Centennial, Inc., Bridgeport, Conn.
San Francisco—San Francisco Bay Exposition, Inc., San Francisco, Cal.
Roanoke Island, N. C.—Roanoke Colony Memorial Association, Manteo, N. C.
Landing of Swedes in Delaware—George H. Ryden, secretary Delaware Swedish Tercentenary Commission, University of Delaware, Newark, Del.
Lynchburg, Va.—Fred McWane, secretary Lynchburg Sesquicentennial Association, P. O. Box 731, Lynchburg, Va.
New Rochelle, N. Y.—P. M. Skipton, Box 202, New Rochelle, N. Y.

York County, Maine—Walter P. Nichols, Treasurer, York National Bank, Saco, Maine.

Elgin, Ill.—Elgin Centennial Monumental Committee, L. W. Hoffecker, distributor, P. O. Box 75, El Paso, Texas.

Anniversary of Battle of Gettysburg—Pennsylvania State Commission, Paul L. Roy, executive-secretary, Hotel Gettysburg, Gettysburg, Pa.

Columbia (S. C.) Sesqui-Centennial—Sesqui-Centennial Committee, James H. Hammond, chairman, Columbia, S. C.

Wisconsin Centennial—Wisconsin Centennial, Inc., W. F. Whitney, chairman, Madison, Wis.

Great Lakes Exposition—Cleveland Centennial Commemorative Coin Association, Thomas G. Melish, treasurer, 105 East Third St., Cincinnati, Ohio.

Long Island Tercentenary—Long Island Tercentenary Committee, National City Bank, 181 Montague St., Brooklyn, N. Y., depository.

Cincinnati Musical Center—Cincinnati Musical Center Commemorative Coin Association, Thomas G. Melish, treasurer, 105 East Third St., Cincinnati, Ohio.

New York Numismatic Gossip

By Our New York
Correspondent

The conscientious and hard-working head of the publicity department of the A. N. A., Moritz Wormser, was married on June 16th. He and Mrs. Wormser sailed on the Berengaria the next day on their wedding tour of Europe, with time out for the International Numismatic Congress in London. Mr. Wormser is the special representative of the American Numismatic Association. We heard that Dr. Mabbott was also a passenger and wonder whether or not they met. The happy couple will return on August 6, in time to attend both the New York Numismatic Club meeting and the A. N. A. convention. Best wishes for a long and happy married life.

Two other European travelers are Messrs. Bolender and Rasmussen. They dropped in at Elder's June auction sale just to get acquainted with the auction crowd. We shall miss the pleasure of hearing Mr. Rasmussen's voice at Minneapolis this year.

Another venturer on the sea of matrimony is our comparatively recent New York acquisition, Stuart Mosher. He was married on July 15th to Miss Edith Schaffner McMullen, of Truro, Nova Scotia. Good luck, Stuart, and may your only troubles be little ones.

At Stack's June auction sale two original half cents of 1836 and 1846 in brilliant proof condition sold for \$47.50 each, or only \$3.50 more than the price of a very fine Grant half dollar with star put up as a special lot. We wonder if commemorative collectors know what they are missing. Incidentally, we didn't notice quite the enthusiasm on the part of these collectors in June as there was in April or May. Maybe they fear the mass production features of the Congress of 1936.

We had always been told that 1827 U. S. quarters were rare and accepted this as a fact. Imagine our amazement when Fred C. C. Boyd recently sported two of them, an original and a restrike. He now tells us that he will show us a complete set of twenty-cent pieces, including the 1876 C. C. mint. Wotta man!

But there is one restrike he doesn't have—yet. It is a numismatic impossibility that caused great confusion among New York collectors a few weeks ago. What would you think of a genuine 1912 Denver mint half dollar struck OVER one of 1934, issued twenty-two years later?

During the past six months New Yorkers have had the pleasure of two visits from L. W. Hoffecker, of El Paso, Texas. Having in mind the eminently fair distribution of the Spanish Trail half dollar, and having heard so many nice things about Texans, they found him all they expected. He has promised to be present at the Minneapolis convention.

Mr. and Mrs. Farran Zerbe began their vacation on May 30th by sailing on the S. S. Pennsylvania through the Canal to California. They spent a short time at San Diego and Los Angeles. In July they attended the meeting of the Pacific Coast Numismatic Society in San Francisco. After leav-

ing sunny California they will begin a leisurely trip to the A. N. A. convention.

And talking about conventions, the Metropolitan Coin Clubs are now looking forward to their second one to be held early in November. In order to have the best possible exhibits, there is talk of awarding prizes. Experience with the convention held last year should help make this one a huge success.

THE LYNCHBURG (VA.) HALF DOLLAR.

The Lynchburg (Va.) commemorative half dollar will bear the portrait of Senator Carter Glass. Senator Glass is Lynchburg's most prominent citizen and has long been in public life, both in Virginia and the nation at large. This is the only instance where a living man has had his portrait placed singly on a U. S. coin. The Sesquicentennial half dollar of 1926 had the portraits of Coolidge and Washington, and the Alabama half dollar of 1921 showed the portrait of Governor Kilby, with Governor Bibb of 100 years previously.

John V. Horner, director of publicity for the Lynchburg Sesqui-Centennial Association, writes to The Numismatist as follows:

"Because of information furnished by The Numismatist, more than 2,000 coins have already been ordered at association headquarters. Mr. McWane, secretary, states your publication played a large part in the success of early sales.

"The half dollar commemorating the 150th birthday of Lynchburg, Va., will contain the likeness of Senator Carter Glass on one side and a portion of historic Monument Terrace on the reverse. The bill authorizing the issue provides that 20,000 of the coins shall be minted within a year's time, and they will be struck for the Lynchburg Sesqui-Centennial Association. The association's board of directors recently decided to sell the coins at \$1 each. In orders for ten coins or less a 25-cent mailing charge is added. Special permission from the board of directors is necessary for an individual to receive more than ten coins. Reasons in writing should accompany such orders.

The first coins will probably not be received in Lynchburg until shortly before the city's celebration October 12-17, orders are now being received and recorded at headquarters. Checks or money orders must be sent by early purchasers before the coins will be reserved.

SOUNDS TO US LIKE HE'S KIDDING.

Editor of The Numismatist:

A good deed, carefully conceived and faithfully fulfilled, should meet with the approval of your readers.

After due deliberation and planning, with confirmation received from reading your vitally valuable publication, I have decided to embark upon a project that will bring joy to the present and help finance timely aid to the future generation of commemorative collectors. Being one, I know whereof I speak.

I am planning to place a bill before Congress, through the local member of Congress (if any one of several anxious candidates can land this soft job) for a half buck of beautiful design, commemorating a very important national event. As I follow an artistic vocation, and have an anatomy that artistically shudders, and at the same time numismatically thrills, when I inspect my collection of commemoratives, my first consideration was the possibility of this event supplying opportunity for appropriate designs of aesthetic beauty, which might tend to redeem the art of commemorative collecting; compensate somewhat for the punishment this said art has received from the numerous monstrosities already foisted upon us and yet to come. I positively know that such a gem for our collections can be designed for this glorious event, and its sheer beauty will be my promised reward to the present generation of collectors.

There are many future commemorative (I wish that word was shorter), collectors that are handicapped by present environment; or the conduct of

such environment and restrictions while they are at an age when they cannot personally soften or alleviate same. For financial assistance to these future comm. collectors (I find its easier abbreviated) 10 per cent of the premium on these coins shall be dedicated. I have estimated that 90 per cent is a fair and reasonable distribution charge; and for this mediocre fee I agree to give my valuable time and efforts in said distribution.

Aside from the comm. collectors, every true American will enthuse at the opportunity to pay tribute and honor to the glorious event this artistic creation will comm. A myriad of us will desire to take this method of celebrating the coming tenth anniversary of Amos and Andy on the air. Think of the many ideas for the design of this semi-simoleon that their experiences of those ten years will conjure to mind. We have even more to place on one side of the coin than Texas crowded on hers. And consider the beauty of those two profiles, with Amos superimposed upon Andy in what Mr. Prager calls "the Damon-and-Pythias school of design."

For the beneficiary of the sale of these coins I have selected the Los Angeles County Home for Feeble-Minded Children. Every inmate is indubitably a potential future comm. collector.

For this one issue, due to its national importance unlike these purely local events so far commemorated numismatically, and also due to the complacent mint officials, who have seemed so willing to cooperate in one past issue at least, I have no doubt that the Carson City and New Orleans mints will be reopened for an issue of two thousand which will also be the issue for the P D S mints (by the way, those last three initials make a nifty abbreviation for "Poor Damn Suckers").

I am now ready to accept reservations for this splendid coin at one dollar each, which includes packing, postage and insurance. Shame on those profiteers that ask more.

In event that this issue is oversubscribed (I am darn sure it will be), to show my friendship for all fellow sufferers of this numismatic dementia, I probably can dig up a set of these coins for you from a widow or an orphan that bought early, at a small premium over subscription price of, say forty dollars for each coin.

Don't delay. Telegraph your reservations.

M. A. BEALL.

618 Sunset Blvd., Los Angeles, Cal.

COMPLAINS OF VERY SMALL ISSUES.

Since Mr. Dunn and the Boones are in the limelight, may I 'put in my oar'?

I ordered and received every issue of the Boones, date and mint, except the rare D and S mints, for which my money was returned marked "over-subscribed." I am not crying over the method of distribution, as I know that an issue of 2000 can only be made to reach 2000, but I think it is an outrage for a commission to order an issue so short that a collector with good United States money is unable to get one of the coins, or to deliberately shorten an issue for the express purpose of raising the price. And I think our Congressmen are aiding and abetting the matter whenever they authorize a bill permitting such a practice.

I may be wrong, but if we are to have a new crop of commemoratives every few days, let's try to get our Government to handle them in a fair and impartial manner as they do stamps at the Philatelic Agency.

PICK JOHNSON.

Chapman, Neb., July 7, 1936.

A. N. A. No. 5268.

ELGIN CENTENNIAL HALF DOLLAR.

L. W. Hoffercker, the distributor of the Old Spanish Trail half dollar, has been appointed by the Elgin Centennial Committee as their agent to distribute their coins, which he will do from his office in El Paso, Texas. The collectors can rest assured that they will be fairly treated, as we heard no complaints on the way he distributed the Old Spanish Trail coin, but many complimentary comments. Mr. Hoffercker's address is L. W. Hoffercker, P. O. Box 75, El Paso, Texas.

AN OPEN LETTER

To the American Numismatic Association in Convention Assembled at
Minneapolis, Minn.

Gentlemen of the Convention:

An opportunity presents itself at this time for the American Numismatic Association to do something tangible in the interest of its members and for the art of numismatics.

During the recent past many hundreds of new names have been added to the membership rolls of the Association—men in all walks of life having a common interest in numismatics who believed membership in the Association would bring with it added interest and benefits.

But in the field of numismatics an ugly monster has recently raised its head, endangering the interests of the average collector—throwing a shade of skepticism on coin collecting as a hobby—and putting in the minds of many the question, "What is our Association going to do about it?"

The writer refers specifically to the commemorative coin racket now in full flourish.

Since 1908 the writer has indulged in coin collecting as a hobby. Off and on, as financial means permitted and **unrestricted** opportunity afforded, a coin or two would be added to his collection; fair prices and uncornered markets always existed for the procurement of coins.

The collecting of commemorative pieces, however, never was an item on the agenda of the writer, and so the possible charge of a selfish motive cannot be lodged against him. The purpose of this message, therefore, is simply an opportunity to divest himself of certain feelings being experienced as a spectator on the side lines witnessing the "wolves bleeding the sheep."

The word tragedy is advisely used. The average collector of commemoratives is one of modest means. He has added to his collection gradually and only as means permitted and without fear of jacked-up prices or a restricted market. But today he is confronted by the spectre of either throwing his collection overboard or succumbing to the racketeer of commemoratives, as the result of an "arrangement" made by the distributor and the sponsoring committee.

Gentlemen, an unusual opportunity to be of service to the membership at large now confronts you.

Is the American Numismatic Association for the racketeer or for its members?

WILLIAM H. STERNBERG, A. N. A. No. 4526.

152 West 42d St., New York City.

NUMISMATIC SOCIETY ORGANIZED IN ALBANY, N. Y.

Using as a nucleus A. N. A. members in the cities of Albany, Troy, and Schenectady, invitations were sent out early in April to participate in the organizing of a local club for the study of numismatics. The movement met with enthusiastic response. Thirteen attended the first meeting, twelve of whom signed up for charter membership (the thirteenth joined two meetings later). The problem of a place to meet was solved when the Fort Orange Stamp Club very kindly offered the use of their club rooms and equipment.

To date seven meetings have been held and the enrolled membership is now thirty-six. Instructive and interesting papers have been presented by specialists in the collecting of U. S. Colonials, foreign coppers and U. S. large cents. Spirited auctions have been held, which greatly benefited the club treasury with a commission of 10 per cent.

At the last meeting our official name was selected—Albany Numismatic Society, and it was voted to apply for membership in the A. N. A. and to subscribe for *The Numismatist*. Our officers are: President, L. L. Clough, (A. N. A. 4970); first vice-president, H. S. Phelps of Troy; second vice-president, Dr. K. J. Sartoris, of Schenectady, and secretary-treasurer, W. J. McKinney, (A. N. A. 4834) of Albany.

We wish to acknowledge invaluable assistance in organizing given by District Secretary Robert H. Lloyd and the Rochester Numismatic Association.

W. J. MCKINNEY,
Secretary-Treasurer.

THE 1907 EAGLES.

The 1907 "S" mint Liberty head eagle is not such a great rarity. I have had several of them, and have one now. I also have three of the same piece, "D" mint, of which there is no record. I corresponded with the Superintendent of the Denver Mint, and he informed me that there were no Indian heads struck at this mint in 1907. The same in the San Francisco mint. Ben Green's record shows the Indian head of both branch mints in 1907, but I have never seen one, and I have never met anyone who has seen one, although I have asked many prominent collectors and dealers about them. Green's record shows 1,030,000 "D" mint, and 210,000 "S" mint, and no "D" and "S" mint Liberty head. This is an error. The above figures are for the Liberty head eagle, and not for the Indian head. The design was changed in 1907, and neither of the branch mints struck any Indian head eagles in 1907.

JOSEPH BARNET.

2025 Ocean Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.

COMMEMORATIVE PROOF COINS UP TO COMMISSIONS.

Like many other collectors, I agree with E. G. Newton, of Chicago, concerning commemoratives in proof. To say the least, we are paying far too much for just uncirculated coins at the time of issue. I also believe one would be wasting his time by writing the Secretary of the Treasury, as I don't think he is in a position to aid you. In the agreement between the commissions and the Federal Government the latter will not be subject to the expense of making the models for master dies or other preparations for the coinage. This, then, places the former in the position to stand the expense of making proofs. However, it may be worked out in some way if there is a sufficient number of coin bugs to stand the cost.

J. CRAMER MARSH.

824 W. Olive St., Springfield, Mo.

THE MICHIGAN CENTENNIAL HALF DOLLAR.

Our bill H. R. 12910 was introduced in the House of Representatives by the Hon. Louis C. Rabaut and was referred to the Committee on Coinage, Weights and Measures, where the bill now rests. The original bill called for 5,000 coins, but we have since requested that the number be increased to 15,000, all from one mint. We have every reason to believe that if we are successful in having our bill passed by Congress it will be for 15,000 coins. We are not taking any orders or making any reservations at the present time. Full details as to price and quantity will be made known through an advertisement in *The Numismatist* when and if we are successful in having our bill approved by Congress.

KENNETH A. FULTON,
Secretary Detroit Coin Club.

251 Manor Ave., Grosse Point Farms, Mich., July 10.

REPUBLIC OF TEXAS NOTES "SIGNED" BY SAM HOUSTON.

Notes of the Republic of Texas are often catalogued or advertised as being signed by Sam Houston. The following extracts from a letter from W. A. Philpott, Jr., of Dallas, Texas, will be of interest in this connection:

"Sam Houston signed no Treasury Notes during his term of office as President of the Republic. His name as it appears on these Government of Texas notes was written by Wm. G. Cooke, who was stock clerk in the Treasury office at that time. Henry Smith, however, did sign all these bills. I suggest that the statement that these bills were signed by Sam Houston be discontinued. It is a misrepresentation. These bills were simply issued under Sam Houston's first administration, when the capital was at Houston.



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- Seattle Coin Club**, C. C. Saeman, Secy.-Treas., 4460 Stuart Bldg., Seattle, Wash. Paul M. Fouts, O. P. Eklund.
- David B. Edelstein**, 1160 Broadway, Hewlett, L. I., N. Y. United States and Foreign Gold. Moritz Wormser, Hans Sergl.
- Dr. H. L. Dell**, P. O. Box 565, Canton, Ohio. General. Moritz Wormser, Harry T. Wilson.
- Joseph Sorrentino**, 310 85th Street, Brooklyn, N. Y. United States Coins and Commemorative. Andrew C. Semple, Joseph Barnet.
- Hal Wohanka**, 2 West 46th St., New York, N. Y. Commemoratives. Moritz Wormser, Harry T. Wilson.
- Harold C. Bishop**, 111 Broadway, New York, N. Y. General. Vernon L. Brown, Harry T. Wilson.
- Albany Numismatic Society**, Willis J. McKinney, Secy.-Treas., 62 Sycamore St., Albany, N. Y. Laurance L. Clough, Robert H. Lloyd.
- Daniel Petronella**, 29 Africa St., Providence, R. I. Commemoratives. Thomas Tarter, Harry T. Wilson.
- John W. Stoney**, 726 Cumberland Road, N. E., Atlanta, Ga. General. J. J. Gonzales, D. R. Sanders.
- S. M. Wylie**, Wadley, Ala. General. J. J. Gonzales, D. R. Sanders.
- E. P. Morgan**, 1031 St. Charles Ave., N. E., Atlanta, Ga. General. J. J. Gonzales, J. H. Hardwick.
- Dr. Robert Laird**, 6315 Ellsworth Ave., Detroit, Mich. Commemoratives. Lynn R. Noyes, L. H. Dodd.
- Frank L. Sykes**, 6315 Ellsworth Ave., Detroit, Mich. Commemoratives and Cents. Lynn R. Noyes, L. H. Dodd.
- W. T. Blackwell**, 740 East Broad St., Westfield, N. J. Tokens and Store Cards. John L. Steffen, Harwood Frost.
- Walter A. Krenz**, 956 Second Place, West New York, N. J. Commemorative Half Dollars. William S. Roth, Harry T. Wilson.
- William P. Hoffman**, 4650 Fieldston Road, Riverdale-on-the-Hudson, New York, N. Y. United States Coins. R. C. Martin, Barney Bluestone.
- C. W. Otto**, R. F. D. No. 2, Warren, Ohio. Quarters, Half Dollars and Commemoratives. B. W. Folsom, Harry T. Wilson.
- L. B. Davis**, P. O. Box 1750, Jackson, Tenn. Cents and Commemoratives. W. D. Hogan, Harry T. Wilson.
- Alexander B. Andrews**, 239 Fayetteville St., Raleigh, N. C. General. Far-ran Zerbe, Harry T. Wilson.
- F. J. Altot**, 826 Magnolia Ave., Long Beach, Cal. General United States Coins. Carl W. Patten, Harry T. Wilson.
- Dr. D. L. Edlund**, 245 Melwood St., Pittsburgh, Pa. United States Coins. Harry T. Wilson, J. Henri Ripstra.
- C. B. Eaton**, 601 West Fifth St., Los Angeles, Cal. Commemorative Half Dollars. E. D. Krachey, Ernest R. Wernstrom.
- J. W. Groesch**, 811 West Bothwell Place, Seattle, Wash. General. Paul M. Fouts, S. Berne Carlton.
- B. M. Douglas**, 636 Princeton Place, Washington, D. C. General. Frederic E. Hodge, C. Sherley Leachman.

Changes of Address.

William F. Flynn, from 6002 East 9th St., Kansas City, Mo., to 2811 Independence Ave., Kansas City, Mo.

H. E. Becker, from 2006 West 6th St., Austin, Texas, to 2006 Dam Blvd., Austin, Texas.

Dr. Edward Huberman, from 2015 Massachusetts Ave. N. W., Washington, D. C., to 1752 N St. N. W., Washington, D. C.

William McKinley, from P. O. Box 147, Denver, Col., to P. O. Box 68, Prescott, Ariz.

J. H. Gibbs, from 1416 Willis Ave., Syracuse, N. Y., to P. O. Drawer 751, Syracuse, N. Y.

C. A. Hunt, from 916½ Baltic Ave., Atlantic City, N. J., to 221 Kentucky Ave., Atlantic City, N. J.

Ralph A. Mitchell, from 6023 Third Ave., Los Angeles, Cal., to 12 South 11th St., San Jose, Cal.

A Correction.

L. F. Dahlgren, 3930 17th St., San Francisco, Cal. Not 17th Ave., as published in the June issue of The Numismatist.

HARRY T. WILSON, General Secretary.

Deaths

LOUIS K. HYDE.

Louis K. Hyde, president of the Westchester County Coin Club and a member of the American Numismatic Association, died July 3 at St. Elizabeth's Hospital, in New York City. He had been ill since the beginning of the year. Mr. Hyde was 51 years of age. He was born in New York City and had resided there all his life. He was in business in Mount Vernon, N. Y., as vice-president and director of the Fleetwood Bank from 1932 to the time of his death.

During the World War Mr. Hyde represented American banking concerns in Russia, and he had served in a similar capacity in China prior to that time. He was very active in the business life of Mount Vernon as treasurer and director of the Chamber of Commerce and as a director of the local Kiwanis Club. He was affiliated with the Lutheran Church and was a member of the Royal Arcanum in New York City. He was an enthusiastic collector and was one of the charter members of the Westchester County Coin Club and its second president.

He is survived by a cousin, Miss Anna Newbold, of New York City, with whom he made his home.

EDWARD LOUDEN FRAZIER.

Edward L. Frazier, of Verona, Pa., died suddenly on May 21, of cerebral apoplexy. He was 77 years of age and had been in excellent health up to the time of his death.

He had been employed 44 years by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, being retired May 1, 1924. He had been a resident of Verona for 60 years and was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He had been a member of the A. N. A. for many years, being No. 469. He is survived by six children.

GEORGE H. RUSSELL.

George H. Russell, 78, retired personnel officer of the Bureau of Animal Industry, died June 14 after a long illness at his home, 3538 Warder street, Washington, D. C. He had been a member of the A. N. A. for many years, and was one of the organizers and first president of the Washington Numismatic Society. His chief interest in numismatics was in ancient coins, particularly the Roman denarii, although he did not confine his collecting activities to the ancients.

A native of Constantia, N. Y., he was graduated in pharmacy at Syracuse, N. Y., and subsequently operated a drug store in Liverpool, N. Y., and then in Syracuse. In 1897 he was appointed to the Bureau of Animal Industry branch at Buffalo and was transferred to the bureau in Washington, where he continued until retired in 1931.

Active in religious affairs, Mr. Russell was a ruling elder of Gunton Temple Memorial Presbyterian Church and until a few weeks ago taught the

Men's Bible Class there. He was the oldest past master of the Liverpool, N. Y., Lodge No. 525 of Masons and was a charter member and honorary past master of the Joppa Lodge of Masons in Washington.

Surviving him are his widow, Mrs. Vina Stanton Russell; two sons, Lewis H. and Paul G. Russell; a daughter, Mrs. O. Newton Todd, and three grandchildren, all of Washington.

FINAL LIST OF NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICERS OF THE AMERICAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION.

The following has been compiled and listed in the order of receipt. All have accepted the nominations. The ballot will be secret and will show the nominees in the same order. It is earnestly desired by your officers that the members vote. This is your Association, and I know you are interested in the management of the organization. All the gentlemen whose names appear below have been selected for their ability, and you will make no mistake in voting for the ones you think best suited for office.

For President.

T. James Clarke, Jamestown, N. Y.
J. Henri Ripstra, Chicago, Ill.

For First Vice-President.

Herbert W. Walker, Warren, Ohio.
J. Douglas Ferguson, Rock Island, Que., Canada.

For Second Vice-President.

George L. Andrews, Columbus, Ohio.
Oce Curtis, Minneapolis, Minn.

For General Secretary.

Harry T. Wilson, Chicago, Ill.

For Treasurer.

George H. Blake, Jersey City, N. J.

For Librarian and Curator.

Charles W. Foster, Rochester, N. Y.

For Chairman of the Board of Governors.

T. James Clarke, Jamestown, N. Y.
Shepard Pond, Boston, Mass.

For Members of the Board of Governors.

Frank C. Ross, Kansas City, Mo.
Nelson T. Thorson, Omaha, Neb.
Ragnar L. Cederlund, Winnetka, Ill.
William A. Philpott, Jr., Dallas, Texas.
Clifton A. Temple, Detroit, Mich.
Lyman F. Johnson, Minneapolis, Minn.
J. H. Hardwick, Atlanta, Ga.
L. W. Hoffecker, El Paso, Texas.
Martin F. Kortjohn, New York, N. Y.
Henry Hunt, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Herbert W. Walker, Warren, Ohio.
Robert H. Lloyd, North Tonawanda, N. Y.
Moritz Wormser, New York, N. Y.

HARRY T. WILSON,
General Secretary.

July 9, 1936

A SELF-EXPLANATORY LETTER.

Jamestown, N. Y., June 18, 1936.

Mr. Henry Ripstra, Chicago, Ill.

Dear Mr. Ripstra: I am just in receipt of a letter from Mr. Kopicki informing me of your nomination for President. Congratulations. Also that you would accept the nomination if the proposed resolution was not withdrawn. I am really sorry that I did not receive this news a couple of weeks ago, as I would have gladly stepped aside, had I known that you really wanted the office. However, within that period of time I have promised to run for another term.

Now, Mr. Ripstra, let me say a few words to you personally, for I know if we both accept the nomination, that we will be fair to each other and that no dirty politics will enter same. Right here let me say that I spend more time keeping off boards than getting on same, and furthermore, I have never sought any office nor have I ever asked for a single vote.

Now as to the action of your fine Chicago Club, I can only feel that the proposed resolution was not put up to your members in the right light, otherwise there could not have been any possible objection.

In three cases that I have heard of, the argument against the amendment was that it would give the President TWO OFFICES and TWO VOTES out of five votes of the Board. Unfortunately, some seem to have swallowed this misleading statement, but any business man should know that the President would never have a vote except in case of a tie vote. In the three cases mentioned above, two quickly reversed their decision as soon as they knew the real benefits that would be derived by bringing both factions under one governing board.

As you are no doubt aware, our By-Laws, etc., do not clearly define the responsibility or authority of the different officers. Even now one of our former Presidents says that this is as it should be, and consequently there has always been more or less conflict between the Board and the other elected officers.

In all organizations that I have ever been connected with the President has not only been the presiding officer, but also acknowledged as the head of the corporation or association.

In our Association, at times the President has stood firm for this right "as Dr. Henderson maintains it should be," while at other times the Chairman claims the supreme authority and head of the Association.

Others will tell you that the Chairman is the head of the Association, and that the President is only supposed to be (spectacular figure), and preside over the annual meetings only.

Another argument that has been put up to the members of the different clubs against the proposed amendment is that by making the President and Vice-President members of the Board, the authority would become centralized. At the same time, they tell you that neither the President nor the Vice-President has any voice in the business management of the A. N. A. at this time. This is not true. How could the authority be more centralized by placing certain officers on the Board, whom they now say have no authority in the business management of the A. N. A.? However, on the contrary it would give us one governing Board of five members, and every member of same would become familiar with all A. N. A. business transactions. Furthermore, the one object of placing the Vice-President on the Board is that the members would be very careful to select one capable of filling the office and duties of the President, in case of necessity, which has not always been the case in the past, but instead looked upon as an honorary office. As it stands at the present time, the members of the Board, aside from the Chairman, together with the other elected officers, know nothing or at least very little about the business transactions that are taking place.

For an example, let me say that any business transactions of The Numismatist, including any incomes or any expenses, have never been submitted to me since I became your President, consequently, I am left in the dark until a yearly report is made at the annual meeting. Under the proposed change, all members of the Board, of which the President and Vice-President would be members, would have a complete operation statement before them and all would know exactly what business was being done, instead of waiting a whole year for a report. Please bear in mind that I am in no

way offering any criticism of any of the present officers, but merely trying to show you the advantages that would be attained under the proposed change. In my reply to Mr. Dunham's letter I have pointed out certain things regarding the past advertising rates, and therefore it is not necessary to repeat same. (Enclosed find copy of a reply to Mr. Dunham's letter.) For your information, I might state that I have gone back a number of years and have made complete operating sheets of both The Numismatist and the A. N. A. accounts, and the facts revealed by same cannot be contradicted.

Some of our friends may tell you that we have a cash balance of around \$10,000 and that we have been doing pretty well. Yes, it is true that we have a nice cash balance, but I don't believe they ever stop to consider that each member pays \$3.00 a year, \$2.00 of which goes to The Numismatist. This \$2.00 per year from each member, over a period of about three or four years would amount to the present cash balance, therefore, it can readily be seen that this \$2.00 per year from each member, for a prior period of about twenty years, must have been spent in paying the operating expenses of The Numismatist, in addition to the amounts received from advertising, otherwise the amount received through advertising would have necessarily had to have been more than 42.68 per cent. of the operating costs of The Numismatist.

Now Mr. Ripstra, let me assure you that I have no personal motives in favoring this proposed amendment, and my only reason for favoring same is that I am positive it is absolutely necessary in order to put our Association on a strictly business basis and then keep it there. In conclusion, I must say that I deeply appreciate the assistance that has been given me by the members of the A. N. A. during my term of office, yet at the same time I must say that in my opinion the honor connected with any office should come from accomplishments, if any, and not from bouquets handed out.

Very sincerely yours,
T. JAMES CLARKE.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THIS A. N. A.

"Save the Constitution" is the cry! The cry does not go far enough. I say "Save the Constitution from being what it is, a contradiction of our Charter and a violation of our Charter, a violation of good business principles and of the By-Laws."

Acknowledging the fact that our Constitution had to be submitted to Congress, before they could grant us a Charter, they did not pass on the validity of our Constitution except so far as to see its objects and to see that there was nothing in the organization that was disloyal to OUR COUNTRY.

If the Constitution violated any clauses so granted, it was up to the Association to amend the Constitution and to make it amenable to the Charter as granted.

Sec. 5 of our Charter defines the Board of Governors as five, and states that they are to be elected; there is no ambiguity as to the number or meaning of the word five, and yet in the Constitution the President is placed on the Board by virtue of his position, making the number six, a clear violation of the Charter.

Sec. 6 prohibits the Board from doing things inconsistent with the Charter as given.

The only legal way the President can be on the Board of Governors, is to elect him on in accordance with the Charter.

The advices I have from both New York and Boston are that the President should be elected on the Board as a member thereof, a position subservient to the Chairman of the Board.

I maintain that the President should be the actual head of the organization, and not merely a titular head.

There is no violation of our Charter if we elect the President as Chairman of the Board, and also elect the First Vice-President on the Board as a member.

The voting strength of the Board is clearly defined in Sec. 15 of the By-Laws as five.

Art. 4 of the Constitution should be amended, since it conflicts with Art. 1, Sec. 2, of the By-Laws.

Art. 9 of the Constitution, second paragraph, violates the principles of good business of any organization. An amendment to the Constitution should go into effect upon passage, not five or six weeks later. The publication in the official paper cannot change the status one iota. With passage it becomes law.

The member we honor with our Presidency is placed in an unfortunate position if he was not previously the Chairman of the Board, because of the various matters regarding finance and business, which, according to our present antiquated set up, only pass through the hands of the Chairman of the Board, and do not come within the province of the President.

Then why not amend the Constitution, in the words of our good Treasurer, Mr. Blake, "carry the amendment with such other changes that would put the A. N. A. on a business basis."

Having to stay in bed for several months gave me an opportunity to carefully study our Charter, Constitution and By-Laws, and the conclusion that I arrived at, that the Constitution needs amending, is corroborated by bankers, corporation officials and lawyers outside of our membership.

I have no ulterior motive in advocating amending the Constitution; I seek no preferment; my only interest is in making a bigger and better A. N. A., conducted on good business principles, and obliterate forever a source of friction.

Yours sincerely,

HENRY HUNT.

113 Wabash St., W. E., Pittsburgh, Pa., July 8, 1936.

THE AMERICAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

Office of the Treasurer, 12 Highland Ave., Jersey City, N. J.

June 24, 1936.

Mr. T. James Clarke,
Jamestown, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Clarke: I am in receipt of your letter of June 19th, all of which I have read and re-read with interest. While it is true that the A. N. A. has progressed since its organization, in spite of its unusual make-up in organization, it has come to a time when, by reason of its size and general importance as a corporation, it should revamp its structure to accord with practices of other corporations. Therefore, I am inclined to accept your views of the changes you suggest. I would say further that the science of numismatics is a gentleman's game which is pursued for the intellectual pleasure of the collector. At the same time the business end should be carried on in a business-like manner, and not in any loose, haphazard way.

While there is more or less honor conferred on those elected to office in the A. N. A., a certain amount of ability should be expected and required of those so elected. In electing you to the office of President I consider the Association did the right thing and was a great gainer by so doing. I say this because you have been successful in making your way in the world and in building up an important business. I believe you stand ready to use all your talents for the A. N. A. if not hampered by conditions you cannot control.

In all corporations (and the A. N. A. is certainly a corporation) it is expected that the President will be head of the organization, a man of force and energy with the ability to initiate plans for the welfare of the organization which he represents. You have shown you are such a man, and should be kept in office as long as you are willing to serve. If the present structure of the A. N. A. does not allow you to be the real head, it should be legally altered to allow you to be so.

You have done a real service in calling attention to the business conditions affecting The Numismatist. This publication during its present period of prosperity, should properly support its editor. The yearly dues should be sufficient to properly reimburse the secretary for his manifold labors. As for the librarian, I am not familiar enough with his duties to offer a

criticism. In my opinion, the office of treasurer should be purely an honorary one. The work is mostly clerical and not at all strenuous.

Now in regard to the Board of Governors: I believe that it should contain the President, Treasurer, but not the Vice-Presidents. Seven members would be a good number. As members of the Board of Governors, the officers I have mentioned would at all times be able to report for the good of the Association upon the business of their particular offices. I might say that in time past I have been a member of the Board of Governors, but was not fully informed as to what was going on. In my present office I know practically nothing of what is taking place except what I gather from documents passing through my hands and what I learn from outside sources.

In case a board was constituted as I have above indicated, I believe it would be a good thing for it to hold a mid-year meeting at some central point, railway expense only to be paid by the Association. If this should come to pass, it would be an economical thing for the members to be located near each other.

A word further in regard to the officers: They should be chosen strictly for their ability to serve the Association. Furthermore, I think it an important thing that some one be in training for all the above positions, as the present incumbents resign or fall by the wayside. This particularly applies to the editorship of *The Numismatist* and the General Secretary.

The above thoughts are submitted for your consideration. Believe me,
Yours truly,

GEORGE H. BLAKE.

P. S. This letter is published with the consent and approval of Mr. Blake.

CONCERNING THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT.

At the meeting of the Chicago Coin Club held July 1 the club voted unanimously to oppose the changes in the Constitution of the American Numismatic Association as proposed by Chairman Henry Hunt and President T. James Clarke. Under the present Constitution the President is ex-officio a member of the Board of Governors. As such he has a voice in the business management of the Association. We are opposed to the concentration of authority in the hands of any one man, no matter who he may be. We believe that the present system maintains the check and balance system so necessary to our organization. We do not fear any misuse of power by our present officers, but we are opposed to the principle involved in the change.

R. E. DAVIS,
Secretary Chicago Coin Club.

June 12, 1936.

A LETTER FROM THE R. N. A.

At a recent meeting of the Rochester Numismatic Association a motion was made and carried to reconsider the club's stand on the proposed amendment to the A. N. A.'s constitution as published on page 545 of the July *Numismatist*. The club agreed unanimously to support the adoption of the amendment.

CHARLES W. FOSTER,
Secretary Rochester Numismatic Association.

July 14, 1936.

THE A. N. A. ELECTION.

Dear Mr. Editor: I have just received a small leaflet from a coin club which has all the earmarks of campaign literature. In the ten years that I have been a member of the American Numismatic Association, this is the first time that I have been circularized in the matter of elections.

Having attended some five conventions of our good Association, it would seem to me that the real place for such campaigning would be the Annual Convention rather than resorting to the mails in an effort to solicit support

for this or that candidate. If we are degenerating to political-party methods I think it is time we eliminated our directory or mailing list.

It also seems unfair to the writer, in view of the large distribution of coin clubs in this country, that one or two clubs should maintain two or three of their members in A. N. A. offices year after year while many sections of the country are not represented.

ROBERT H. LLOYD,
A. N. A. 3024.

217 Schenck St., North Tonawanda, N. Y., July 13, 1936.

A LETTER FROM MR. BOWMAN.

Mr. Merrill V. Sheldon,
Editor Chicago Coin Club Bulletin,
5450 N. Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir: I have your July, 1936, Bulletin, which must have been sent to me by virtue of my membership in the A. N. A. This club is also a member of the A. N. A.

In announcing your Mr. J. Henri Ripstra as a candidate for our A. N. A. Presidency by your front page article, it would seem to us that you would be using better tact, by quoting a letter in full instead of in part as the policy of our present President, Mr. T. James Clarke. Is it fair to take upon yourself the right of placing a period and quotation marks after the word "Numismatist," which you have set out in bold type at the end of your article, when by turning to Page 2 of Mr. Clarke's letter you will find the completion of the paragraph: "which appointments must be confirmed, ratified and approved by the majority of the members of the Executive Board"? At no time has there been any intent for a "one-man-control" of our Association, but rather a "one-body-control." Surely Mr. Clarke merits an apology from your club for this unwarranted attack, bold in its type and quoted only in part to apparently gain your end. Surely the caliber of our A. N. A. calls for fair play and all the facts in the case.

Let us have one executive board for efficiency in our organization.

Very truly yours,

JOHN O. BOWMAN,

President Chautauqua Coin, Stamp and Curio Club.

Mayville, N. Y., July 14, 1936.

BANK PUTS ON COIN EXHIBIT.

During June the Clark County National Bank of Vancouver, Wash., had on display in its lobby one of the finest collections of U. S. rare coins in America. The collection, estimated to be worth \$50,000, attracted thousands of spectators and coin collectors. Among the rare coins on display, coins from the time the U. S. mint was established, were gold pieces from private mints. The beaver \$5 and \$10, Pike's Peak, San Francisco \$20, California \$50, round and octagonal; Baldwin & Co., California, and many others.

The shining gold coins ranged in color from almost pure yellow through green to reddish copper. Most brilliant was the red gold of California, but even that shows variations according to locality in which it was mined. Gold pieces made at the mint in Denver show a greenish tinge. Early U. S. coins made from English sovereigns and Spanish doubloons and from gold mined in the Carolinas are a brilliant yellow. Some coins were the color of well-polished brass, others like bronze. Alloys used in hardening the gold for circulation had something to do with the color, but the main reason for variations is that mines in different sections of the world produce different shades of the precious metal.

Horace Daniels, vice-president of the Clark County National Bank, is interested in numismatics and did very much to make this an interesting exhibit.

A full case of rare coins, over 240 entries were submitted by Clark county residents in competitions for the ten big bank account prizes offered in connection with the display. Among the winners was a half dollar of 1795 and a dollar of 1798, exhibited by Felix Baronovich, of Vancouver, Wash.

The A. N. A. Minneapolis Convention

**August 22 to 27,
1936**

The American Numismatic Association will held its 1936 convention in Minneapolis, August 22 to 27. Headquarters will be at the Nicollet Hotel. The program for the five-day gathering is printed below.

The host of the convention will be the Northwest Coin Club. This is a comparatively new organization of the collectors of the twin cities of Minneapolis and St. Paul. While the experience of handling the details of a convention of the A. N. A. will be a new one for the club, many of its members are old timers and they are filled with the same enthusiasm at the prospect of a convention that is found in clubs with more years to their credit.

The success of a convention is measured largely by the attendance. Reports to the convention this year will show that the A. N. A. now has by far the largest membership in its history and that the gains during the



Lake Harriet Drive.

year have been almost phenomenal. This large increase should be reflected in the attendance at the convention. With the passing of the depression, which left its impress upon the attendance at the last five conventions, and the very great increase in interest in coin collecting, the gathering at Minneapolis should be the largest in the history of the A. N. A.

There are many reasons why members should make a special effort to attend the Minneapolis convention, particularly the more or less isolated ones, who seldom come in contact with other collectors. Personal acquaintance with fellow-collectors adds much to the enjoyment of collecting.

The convention exhibits, which are open to the public as well as to members, form one of the biggest attractions to a convention. Whatever your line of collecting, you will find displays of others along the same line. The A. N. A. owns a plentiful supply of exhibition cases, which it places at the disposal of members desiring to make exhibits. These are kept locked during the length of the convention, and additional protection is given by the presence of guards both day and night.

An A. N. A. convention is a delightful place to spend your vacation or a part of it. In addition to the business sessions and exhibits there is a round of sightseeing and social events for the entire convention party, and opportunity is also given those who want to supplement the main social events by side trips for individuals or small groups.

The Nicolett Hotel has been selected as headquarters for the convention,

and all activities will be centered there, including exhibits and business sessions. The hotel rates are printed below. The hotel is centrally located, convenient to the shopping and theatrical districts and to those points of interest desired by visitors to a large city.

All Signs Point to Minneapolis, August 22 to 27

By Oce Curtis, General Chairman of Convention Plans and President of the Northwest Coin Club.

A royal welcome awaits the visiting members of the American Numismatic Association when on August 22 to 27 the annual convention is held at the Nicolett Hotel, Minneapolis. Members of the Northwest Coin Club, official hosts to the 1936 Convention, have laid out a tentative program of enter-



A Statue of Minnehaha and Hiawatha.

The pennies of Minnesota school children built this statue, which stands just above the falls.

tainment for the delegates and other guests which will furnish varied activities for each of the five days. We trust that a number of ladies will attend the convention, as special plans for their entertainment have been made by a committee headed by Mrs. Oce Curtis.

May I call attention to three things to which each delegate should give immediate attention?

1. Mail your hotel reservations as soon as possible to the Hotel Nicolett, Minneapolis.

2. Communicate with the Exhibits Committee relative to space for your exhibit. The Francis I Room has adequate space and excellent lighting facilities.

3. Write the Chairman of the Auction Committee, Arthur D. White, 1481 Van Buren street, St. Paul, regarding the material that you wish to put up at auction. We already have some interesting and worth-while coins, but would like to have a great deal more material.

Write the General Committee relative to any information or help that you may desire. We shall be happy to serve you to the best of our ability. Following is the tentative program of the Convention:

Saturday, August 22nd.

Morning—Registration at the Nicolett Hotel. Placing of exhibits in the Francis I Room.
 Afternoon—Inspection of Exhibits. Golf at Superior Golf Club.
 Evening—Smoker for the men; buffet dinner; entertainment. Theater party for the ladies; buffet dinner.

Sunday, August 23rd.

Morning—Church Attendance. Exhibits open.
 Afternoon—Drive about the city and through the parks.
 Evening—Open.

Monday, August 24th.

Morning—Opening business session. Addresses of welcome, Thomas E. Latimer, Mayor of Minneapolis, and Oce Curtis, President of the Northwest Coin Club. Exhibits open. Taking of the official photograph of members.
 Afternoon—Exhibition of auction material and trading bourse. Luncheon for the ladies. Tour about the city and inspection of points of special interest.
 Evening—Theater party for the ladies. Auction sale.

Tuesday, August 25th.

Morning—Business session.
 Afternoon—Scenic drive covering special points of interest in the Twin Cities, including the following: Kenwood Parkway, Lake of the Isles Boulevard, Lake Calhoun, Lake Harriet, Minnehaha Parkway to the Falls, where a short stop will be made; the Ford Bridge and the Ford plant, East River Boulevard, Summit Avenue, St. Paul's Cathedral, State Capitol, State Historical Society, downtown loop, St. Paul; St. Paul Court House, Indian mounds, Johnson Parkway and Phalen Park, Wheelock Parkway, Como Park and Como Park Zoo, Minnesota State Fair Grounds, University of Minnesota campus, flour-mill district of Minneapolis.
 Evening—Dinner in St. Paul at St. Paul Hotel. Return to Nicolett Hotel, Minneapolis, covering portions of the scenic drive which were not covered in the trip to St. Paul.

Wednesday, August 26th.

Morning—Business session.
 Afternoon—Shopping and a visit to points of interest not already covered. The following are suggested: Minneapolis Institute of Arts, Walker Art Gallery, Municipal Airport, Radio Stations: WCCO, WTCN, KSTP, WDGY; Natural History Museum in the Public Library, the Pillsbury Flour Mills, the Washburn-Crosby Mills, the Rand Tower, the Foshay Tower, Loring Park, Harold's Inc., Bjorkman's, Young-Quinlan Store, Powers, John W. Thomas Company.
 Evening—Annual Banquet. Program of entertainment. Dancing, cards. Hotel Nicolett Ballroom.

Thursday, August 27th.

Morning—Final business session.
 Afternoon—Adieus.

Convention Chairmen.

The Northwest Coin Club, the official hosts of the A. N. A. Convention, which will be held in Minneapolis at the Nicollet Hotel, August 22 to 27, inclusive, has appointed the following committee chairmen:

General Committee—Oce Curtis, chairman; Paul C. Buetow.
 Exhibits Committee—Lyman F. Johnson, chairman; Carl M. Becken.
 Auction Committee—Arthur D. White, chairman; M. C. Sweney.
 Entertainment Committee—Lyman F. Johnson, chairman; Mrs. Oce Curtis.
 Entertainment Committee (Ladies)—Mrs. Oce Curtis, chairman.
 Transportation Committee—L. J. Piras, chairman; Richard Sackett.
 Badges and Medals Committee—Dr. Dwight Ward, chairman; A. D. White.
 Reception Committee—Victor F. Lyke, chairman; E. S. Lombard.
 Registration Committee—E. S. Lombard, chairman; Victor F. Lyke.
 Publicity and Program—Oce Curtis, chairman; Paul C. Buetow.

Hotel Rates.

Single room, per day, \$2.50, \$3, \$3.50, \$4, \$5, \$6.
 Double, \$4, \$4.50, \$5, \$6, \$7, \$8.
 With twin beds, \$5, \$6, \$7, \$8.
 Parlor Suites, from \$10 up.
 Without Bath—Single, \$2. Double, \$3.50.

IS THIS AN INDUCEMENT TO ATTEND?

We have received from W. J. Wynne, Minneapolis, Minn., a sample coin holder upon which is printed: "Greetings to A. N. A. Members, Gopher State 1936 Convention." From this we assume that Mr. Wynne will distribute these holders to visitors to the convention. It has openings for a half dollar, quarter dollar, dime, five cents and cent, with a celluloid slide covering the coins.

THE PEOPLE'S CHOICE.

It has often been said, "Give the public what it wants and the success of the thing is assured." People have been known, time and again, to take a fancy to something or other, creating a tremendous demand for it, thereby popularizing the article to such an extent that everybody clamors for it. So has it been with the commemorative coins. They have so captured the desires of the public that demands now have far exceeded the supply, resulting in a decided advance in price.

And is this choice of the people just temporary, or a fleeting fancy? After careful deliberation it is my earnest belief that we have seen only the beginning. As the country continues to prosper, hundreds of new collectors will be anxious to complete their sets of commemoratives, bringing about a still greater demand and higher prices.

A number of years ago, while I was still at college, a professor had a pet phrase which he used quite frequently, "If you can't take a hint, take a kick." I say the same to all collectors, new or old. Get busy, don't wait for a kick. Fill in your sets right along, as I am doing. You will find it will pay you in many ways to follow "The People's Choice."

DR. ALBERT APPLEBAUM,

Peoria, Ill.

A. N. A. 4324.

COINAGE FOR JUNE, 1936.

Following is the amount of coinage (in dollars and cents) at the mints of the United States during June, 1936:

Silver—	Philadelphia.	San Francisco.	Denver.
Half dollars, regular	\$725.00	\$570,000.00	.....
Half dollars, California-Pacific Exposition . . . . .	.....	.....	\$90,046.00
Quarter dollars	983,338.00	.....	.....
Dimes	697,129.70	56,000.00	225,000.00
Minor—			
Five cents	405,095.10	25,750.00	130,000.00
One cent	150,920.02	.....	4,000.00

Meetings of Numismatic Societies and Clubs

(To keep the Directory up to date the editor relies upon the officials of the organizations listed to report promptly any changes in any of its features. There is no charge for listing, but new organizations must ask to be included and furnish the necessary information.)

DIRECTORY.

Albany Numismatic Society, Albany, N. Y.—Meets second and fourth Thursdays in Room 300, City Savings Bank Building (July and August, third Thursday only). Willis J. McKinney, Secretary, 62 Sycamore street, Albany, N. Y.

American Numismatic Association—Meets annually in convention. Harry T. Wilson, Secretary, 535 N. Sawyer Avenue, Chicago, Ill.

American Numismatic Society, New York City—Meets four times annually at its building, Broadway at 156th Street. Sydney P. Noe, Secretary.

Antiquarian and Numismatic Society of Montreal—Meets monthly at Chateau de Ramezay. L. A. Renaud, Curator, 749 Irene St., Montreal, Canada.

Atlanta Coin Club, Atlanta, Ga.—Meets first and third Wednesdays at Y. M. C. A. E. P. Morgan, Secretary, 1031 St. Charles Ave., N. E., Atlanta, Ga.

Baltimore Coin Club—Meets first and third Thursdays at Peale's Municipal Museum, 225 N. Holliday street. Thomas P. Warfield, Secretary, Warfield-Dorsey Co., Inc., First Natl. Bank Bldg., Baltimore, Md.

Boston Numismatic Society, Boston, Mass.—Meeting, with dinner, last Monday of each month (summer excepted) at Boston City Club. Morgan H. Stafford, Secretary, 343 Cabot Street, Newtonville, Mass.

Bronx (N. Y.) Coin Club—Meets fourth Wednesday of each month at East 148th Street Restaurant, just west of Third Ave., Bronx, New York City. Martin F. Kortjohn, Secretary, 2785 University Ave., New York City.

Brooklyn Coin Club—Meets first Wednesday of each month. Morris Klaf, Secretary, 4411 Clarendon Road, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Buffalo Numismatic Association, Buffalo, N. Y.—Meets second and fourth Mondays at Central Y. M. C. A. Jack J. Bishop, Secretary, 318 Genesee Bldg., Buffalo, N. Y.

California Coin Club, Los Angeles, Cal.—Meets first Tuesday evening of each month. Harry G. Kirkpatrick, Secretary, 1624 Marshall St., Rosemead, Cal.

Chase Bank Coin Society, New York City—Meets third Monday of each month. Elijah E. Evans, Secretary, Chase National Bank, New York, N. Y.

Chautauqua Coin, Stamp and Curio Club, Jamestown, N. Y.—Meets second and fourth Wednesday evenings of each month at Hotel Jamestown. Dolphus Ulf, Secretary, 21 Sturges St., Jamestown, N. Y.

Chicago Coin Club, Chicago, Ill.—Meets first Wednesday of each month at the Atlantic Hotel. R. E. Davis, Secretary, 3602 N. Seeley Ave., Chicago, Ill.

Cincinnati Numismatic Association—Meets second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at 8 o'clock P. M., Starrett's Netherland Plaza Hotel, S. E. Cor. Fifth and Race Streets. Chas. J. Thul, Secretary, 2631 Hemlock St., Cincinnati, Ohio.

Coin Club of Rhode Island—Meets second Wednesday of each month at Wayland Manor Hotel, Providence, R. I. G. C. Glover, Secretary, 109 Empire St., Providence, R. I.

Columbus Numismatic Society, Columbus, Ohio—Meets second Monday evening of each month at the Neil House. George L. Andrews, Secretary, 68 E. Dominion Blvd., Columbus, Ohio.

Cortland Coin Club, Cortland, N. Y.—Meets first Thursday of each month at Hotel Cortland. J. W. Rolfe, Secretary, 71½ Greenbush Street, Cortland, N. Y.

Dallas Coin Club, Dallas, Texas—Meets fourth Thursday night of each month in the Baker Hotel, M. C. Brooks, Secretary, 926 S. Waverly Drive, Dallas, Texas.

Detroit Coin Club, Detroit, Mich.—Meets first and third Thursdays at the Detroit-Leland Hotel, Cass and Bagley Avenues. Kenneth A. Fulton, Secretary, 251 Manor Ave., Grosse Pointe Farms, Mich.

Hartford Numismatic Society, Hartford, Conn.—Meets third Wednesday of each month at 320 Pearl St. Maurice Nokes, Secretary, 65 Rosemont St.

Heart of America Numismatic Association, Kansas City, Mo.—Meets second Monday of each month at Pickwick Hotel, Kansas City. Frank C. Ross, Secretary, 15 East 62d St., Kansas City, Mo.

Madison Coin Club, Madison, Wis.—Meets last Monday of each month at the City Y. M. C. A., 207 W. Washington Ave. Louis J. Burger, Secretary, 202 S. Orchard St., Madison, Wis.

Maumee Valley Coin Club, Toledo, Ohio—Meets second and fourth Mondays of each month. S. L. Szyperski, Secretary, P. O. Central Station, Box 827, Toledo, O.

Milwaukee Numismatic Society, Milwaukee, Wis.—Meets last Friday in each month. Edw. C. Gaulke, Sr., Secretary, 3233 North Twentieth St., Milwaukee, Wis.

New Castle Coin Club, New Castle, Pa.—Meets first and third Thursdays of each month in the rooms of the Pennsylvania Power Company Building. Sullivan Cicerone, Secretary, New Castle, Pa. No meetings in June, July and August.

New Jersey Numismatic Society—Meets second Thursday of each month at Downtown Club, 744 Broad St., Newark, N. J. A. G. Bungenstock, Secretary, 822 Springfield Ave., Cranford, N. J.

New York Numismatic Club, New York City—Meets second Friday of each month. F. C. C. Boyd, Secretary, 237 East 20th St., New York City.

Northampton Numismatic Society, Northampton, Mass.—Meets fourth Wednesday of each month at Y. M. C. A. Building. Myron J. Parsons, Secretary, 270 Pleasant St., Northampton, Mass.

Northwest Coin Club—Meets second Thursday of each month at the Dyckman Hotel in Minneapolis, Minn., and the fourth Thursday of each month at the Frederic Hotel in St. Paul, Minn. Lyman F. Johnson, Secretary, 3825 19th Ave. So., Minneapolis, Minn.

Omaha Coin Club, Omaha, Neb.—Meets first Friday evening of each month at Omaha City Hall. Louis W. Kroeger, Secretary, 3554 S. 24th St., Omaha, Neb.

Pacific Coast Numismatic Society, San Francisco, Cal.—Meets last Wednesday of each month at Hotel Whitecomb, San Francisco. Harvey L. Hansen, Secretary, 698 Haddon Road, Oakland, Cal.

Philadelphia Coin Club, Philadelphia, Pa.—Meets second Thursday of each month at Philadelphia Hobby League Building, Seventeenth and Pine Streets. Dr. Thomas M. Logan, Secretary, 4837 Germantown Ave., Philadelphia, Pa.

Pittsburgh Coin Club—Meets first Wednesday of each month in the Downtown Y. M. C. A. Building, Third Ave. and Wood St. Howard Gibbs, Jr., Secretary, 1400 Belasco Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Rochester Numismatic Association, Rochester, N. Y.—Meets first and third Tuesday at Municipal Museum. Charles W. Foster, Secretary, 100 Astor Drive, Rochester, N. Y.

Rocky Mountain Numismatic Society, Denver, Col.—Meets first and third Thursdays of each month, unless otherwise ordered, at homes of individual members as selected. Jacob G. Willson, Secretary-Treasurer, Room 15, State Capitol, Denver, Col.

St. Louis Numismatic Society, St. Louis, Mo.—Meets monthly at Washington University. T. E. Duncan, Secretary, Washington University, St. Louis, Mo.

Springfield Coin Club, Springfield, Mass.—Meets second Wednesday of each month at the Museum of Fine Arts, Springfield. William W. Willard, Secretary, 94 Warren Terrace, Longmeadow, Mass.

Syracuse Numismatic Association, Syracuse, N. Y.—Meets second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at the Onondaga Hotel. Robert G. Evens, Secretary, 149 Berkshire Ave., Syracuse, N. Y.

Tennessee Coin Club, Nashville, Tenn.—Meets first and third Mondays of each month. Floyd L. Martin, Secretary, 800 Warner Building, Nashville, Tenn.

The Numismatic and Antiquarian Society of Philadelphia, Pa.—Meets six times a year. January, February, March, April, November and December. Henry Paul Busch, Secretary, 1006 Spruce St., Philadelphia, Pa.

Utica Coin Club, Utica, N. Y.—Meets first and third Tuesdays of each month at 249 Genesee St. F. Harrington, Secretary, 249 Genesee St., Utica, N. Y.

Washington Numismatic Society, Washington, D. C.—Meets second Tuesday of each month except July, August and September, at Strong John Thomson School, Twelfth and L Sts., N. W. Frederic E. Hodge, Corresponding and Recording Secretary, 136 Bryant St., N. W., Washington, D. C.

Westchester County (N. Y.) Coin Club—Meets third Tuesday of each month at the Y. M. C. A. in New Rochelle, N. Y. J. H. White, Secretary, 29 South Broadway, Dobbs Ferry, N. Y.

Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society—Meets the first Tuesday of every month at the Carnegie Institute of Pittsburgh. A. C. Gies, Secretary, 6260 Frankstown Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Western Reserve Numismatic Club, Cleveland, Ohio—Meets second Wednesday of each month at the Allerton Hotel. Harley L. Freeman, Secretary, 1432 East 47th St., Cleveland, Ohio.

Youngstown Numismatic Club, Youngstown, Ohio—Meets third Friday of each month at the Home Saving and Loan Co., basement, corner Federal and Chesnut Streets. Frank W. Schilling, Secretary, 446 Breaden Ave., Youngstown, Ohio.

NEW YORK NUMISMATIC CLUB—331st regular meeting, July 10th, Edward T. Newell, President, presiding. Sixteen members and four guests were present.

The topic for the evening was "Colonial Scrip before 1815" and "Numismatics in Numismatics." Exhibits were made by the following:

Arthur Deas: Gold Coins: Germany, 20, 10, 5 mark 1883; Japan, 10 yen; Russia, 7 R. 50 K.; India, 5 rupee, 1870; England, ½ sov., 1896; United States, \$3, 1867 and 1854; \$2 ½, 1854 and 1902; \$1, 1852, 1855 and Lewis & Clark, 1905.

H. J. Stein: A large variety of Roman and Greek coins.

Thos. F. Morris: \$20 Federal Reserve note, Julian and Morgenthau No. 2 star; bronze award medal International Philatelic Exhibition on U. S. Proofs.

Martin F. Kortjohn: Flying eagle half dollar, A-W. 72; medal of Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee showing Queen Victoria, King Edward VII, King George V and King Edward VIII; pattern farthing of Queen Anne dated 1714.

D. M. Bullowa: French Mint, 1878, Paris Exposition; Numismatique, by Dupuis, a medal of the French Mint; New York Numismatic Club, Howland Wood, 1933, by J. M. Swanson; New York Numismatic Club, A. N. A. medal, 1910 Convention; Thomas O. Mabbott, token, 1930; Bavaria, 1837, Monetary Union; Frankfurt, 1840, fifth century of the coinage right and on opening of mint; Baden, 1832, mint visit of Leopold; Worthensbey, 1 gulden, 1844, mint visit of William; Saxony, 1855, mint visit of John.

Joseph Barnet: Uncirculated gold eagles dated 1931 and 1932.

Howland Wood: Early scrip: Various denominations of Connecticut, Georgia, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, City of New York and Rhode Island.

Leonard Kusterer: New York Water Works, August 25, 1774, 1, 2, 4 shilling; August 2, 1775, 2, 4 shilling; January 6, 1776, 2, 4 shilling.

Edward W. May: North Carolina, fractional notes of Revolutionary War period; half dollar, April 2, 1776, with raven and jug; one-eighth dollar, August 8, 1778, union of hearts; one-quarter dollar, August 8, 1778, independence. New Haven R. R., 5c. note, December 29, 1862.

Julius Gutttag: Obv., Dannel Webster, Rev., E. Hill, 1860, Dealer Coins etc., No. 6, Bleecker St., New York; 1860 Rev., Edward Cogan, Coin Dealer, 48 N. 10th Street, Philadelphia; 1861 Benjamin Franklin, Rev., S. H. Zahn, dealer in coins, etc., Lancaster, Pa. C. K. Warner, Numismatist, 325 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa. W. Idler, dealer in coins, etc., 111 N. 9th st., Philadelphia, brass, silver, copper, one with Washington head; Rev., Geo. H. Burfeindt, dealer in coins, Member A. N. A., copper; We All Have Our Hobbies, Rev. 1860, dedicated to coin and medal collectors, brass; Thomas L. Elder, 238 Sheridan Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa. Two Tokens of 1909 campaign for President of A. N. A.; medal of Albert R. Frey, 1917, by New York Numismatic Club; Albert R. Frey, copper and silver medal, New York Numismatic Club, by Swanson. New York Numismatic Club, Pres. Frank C. Higgins, Augustus G. Heaton, Elliott Smith, F. C. C. Boyd, 1916; 1924 Moritz Wormser, President of the American Numismatic Association; International Philatelic Exposition Coin Week, originated 1923, copper, brass, lead, white metal; there are 30 different varieties of these so far struck.

Edward T. Newell: Two denarii of Octavius with reverse type of anvil, die, pincers and hammer; quadrans of Augustus with coin anvil; medallions of Probus and Constantius Chlorus.

Archibald Roosevelt, Jr.: A number of ancient coins.

F. C. C. Boyd: Complete collection of 20c. pieces, including the exceedingly rare 1876 C C mint, in brilliant proof condition.

The Secretary reported the application of Edward W. May, 31 West 63rd Street, New York City. Action will be taken on this candidate at the next meeting.

It was regularly moved, seconded and carried that Moritz Wormser be the official representative of the New York Numismatic Club at the coming A. N. A. Convention, and M. F. Kortjohn alternate representative.

Our President expressed his gratification that we had with us this evening Archibald Roosevelt and his son, Junior. Mr. Roosevelt, Jr., is a collector of ancient coins and is apparently enjoying the hobby immensely.

Messrs. Stone and Bell expressed their pleasure in attending the meeting.

WESTCHESTER COUNTY COIN CLUB—June 16, twenty-sixth meeting. Vice-President Dewey presided, with 32 members and eleven guests present. Photographs of the second annual dinner held April 21st were distributed by Mr. Deas.

The committee appointed at the last meeting to voice their views on the design of the New Rochelle coin did so by letter dated May 21st. Mr. Skipton, as chairman of the Mayor's committee, reported on the status of the coin orders already received. The secretary read several letters from various committees in charge of the distribution of other commemorative half dollars, such as the Cincinnati, Bridgeport and Lynchburg.

At the instance of Mr. Roose, who expects to be away for the summer, Major Root was appointed temporary chairman of the membership committee.

At the next meeting, Mr. Nichols will give a talk on "Historical Westchester County," and the topics will be: Coins of Sarawak; Items from Pike's Peak (July 14th being the anniversary of the first ascent of Pike's Peak in 1820 by Dr. James Frank); coins, medals, etc., of Bull Run (July 21st being the anniversary of the first battle of Bull Run in 1861); swords on coins; items relating to New Rochelle, and three-cent nickel pieces.

Dr. Jost's exhibition of commemoratives at the Mount Vernon Library was described, and he told the club how he became an enthusiastic collector only recently.

Mr. McGill brought up to date his report on the status of Commemorative coin bills, reporting several new ones presented to Congress since the club's last meeting. Mr. Dewey read the history of the so-called Catholic dollar.

The club voted to apply for a corporate membership in the A. N. A. It was suggested that to further the local interest in numismatics, the several members of the club and their friends in each of the cities or villages hold unofficial meetings at some member's home.

Attention was called to the commission of 10 per cent. on all sales made in the club room, payable by the seller to the club's reserve fund. After discussion, it was decided to retain the third Tuesday of the month as the regular meeting night. Mr. Eckley moved to hold an auction sale under the auspices of the board of governors, which was so voted.

Homer R. Stephens, of Ossining, was elected to membership, and applications were received from Messrs. Jost, Sullivan, Light, Lessin and Kriskey. Some of the aluminum tokens in use by the Alaska Rural Rehabilitation Corporation were sold to the members. Also orders were taken for the Government pamphlet on coins.

The topics of the evening were: "Symbols of Death on Coins," "Ships on Coins," and "Coins in Extremely Fine Condition." The following exhibits were on view:

Mr. Gutttag: Several coins with symbols of death and ships.

Mr. Johnson: Mississippi notes of \$1, \$3, \$4 and \$4½ denomination used in the Civil War.

Mr. Rippner: \$2 bill of the 1928 Series with gold seal and gold numbers; \$1 of the 1880 Series and 1917 Series of the so-called Catholic dollar.

Mr. Reagan: Ten broken-bank bills, \$1 to \$100; 30 Imperial Roman Denarii; set of gold-plated Werner cents; set of chromium-plated Lincoln cents.

Mr. Hawkins: 1788 Massachusetts cent; U. S. cents of 1786, 1787, 1794 and 1798.

Mr. Stephens: English Condor tokens of the eighteenth century, showing various types of ships; also a few Civil War tokens and commemorative coins which show ships also.

Mr. Kortjohn: Proof set of New Zealand and three tokens.

Mrs. Dewey: Several coins with ships.

Mr. Deas: Five Hard Times tokens with ships; 1936 Canadian dollar in mint condition; 1933 Oregon Trail; misstruck 50c. piece; five gold dollars; two Southern Bank of Georgia bills, \$1 and \$2, in uncirculated condition.

Mr. Dewey: 10 varieties of notgeld notes and four varieties of Civil War cards showing death symbols; Harvey Land Association (medal of 1892 World's Fair in aluminum, originally worth \$15, as part payment on a lot); large brass badge of New York celebration for Admiral Dewey in 1899.

PITTSBURGH COIN CLUB—June 3. Fifteen members and one guest were present.

A. Hepner was elected a member. Application for membership was received from Dr. J. F. Hepting, of Turtle Creek.

Communications were read from T. James Clarke and the New York Numismatic Club.

Following the treasurer's report Mr. Hunt made a motion that a notice be placed in the newspapers the Sunday before each meeting of the club for a year. Motion carried.

Mr. Gibbs made a motion that the Pittsburgh Coin Club have the honor of nominating Henry Hunt as a member of the Board of Governors of the A. N. A. The secretary was instructed to write the letter of nomination.

A discussion on the 1804 dollar by Mr. Gibbs was received with much interest, and Mr. Cunningham moved that a rising vote of thanks be extended to the speaker for his efforts.

Exhibits were as follows:

Mr. Buterbaugh: Illinois provincial tax tokens; complete set of flying eagle and Indian head cents.

Mr. Gibbs: 50 crowns and multiples, 50 "pee" or gambling tokens of Siam, glass, brass, turquoise, etc.; brass lizard-shape money of Franch Camroun; leather money of post-war Germany.

Mr. Maudy: 1877, 1878 proof 5 cents and 3 cents; 1878 proof 20 cents; 1866, 1869 proof dollars; 1853 no arrows, 1866, 1868, 1881, 1882 proof dimes; 1854, 1873 arrows, 1873 no arrows, 1876, 1909 proof ¼ dollars.

Mr. Rehula: Pan-Pacific \$2.50; 11 gold coins, \$1 to \$2.50 size.

Mr. Cunningham: New 1936 U. S. proof coins, 1, 5, 10, 25 and 50c.

SPRINGFIELD COIN CLUB—250th meeting, June 13, was held at Mr. Wolcott's summer home in Amherst. Fifteen members and thirteen guests were present.

This being the annual combined meeting and basket-lunch picnic, the members and guests began to arrive early in the afternoon to enjoy the Wolcott hospitality, gathering in groups on the lawn, talking or looking at some choice stamp, coin or piece of currency brought for them to enjoy.

About 5.30 lunch baskets began to appear, two rows of tables on the lawn came into use and soon everyone present was busy preparing their lunch, and several swaps not coins were noticed.

After lunch Mr. Pond announced that a short business meeting would be held, and, true to his word, it was short and unique.

The business meeting over, Rev. C. F. Luther was introduced and he gave a very interesting talk on some of his experiences as a collector of coins and described several very rare Connecticut cents which he found in the Yale collection.

President Pond next introduced Carl Wurtzbach, a past President of the A. N. A., and a member of our club. He had for exhibition one of the finest, if not the finest, and most complete collection known of Pine Tree shillings, including Oak and Willow, also three and six pence pieces. Mr.



Seated (left to right)—Messrs. Hill, Pond, Wurtzbach, Roberts, Morse. Standing—Messrs. Kohler, Willard, Parsons, Converse, Morris, Wolcott, Fuller, Luther.

Wurtzbach has been years making this collection, going to the far corners for some specimens, two of which were unknown to Crosby, who was one of the best authorities on this old money.

Mr. Wurtzbach talked very interestingly about this first money of the colonies, going back to the time before they had money of their own, and told his audience many interesting things about those times, how hard it was having no money except what England furnished sparingly, and of the circumstances which forced them to adopt their own medium of exchange. He also told of the fascination of coin collecting, how one thing leads to another and of the possibility for education and entertainment, giving interesting examples to bring out his points.

To see this beautiful collection and hear Mr. Wurtzbach talk on the subject is indeed a very great privilege and pleasure, and the members and guests present were fortunate in having accepted the Wolcott's hospitality.

A social period followed Mr. Wurtzbach's talk, during which time he was kept busy answering questions and showing his collection. It was recalled during a conversation that we have six members who have been or still are officers in the A. N. A., Mr. Wurtzbach, a past President; Mr.

Stone, a past Vice-President; Mr. Oliver, a past General Secretary; Mr. Wolcott, a past Treasurer; Mr. Pond, past member of the Board of Governors, and Mr. Blake, now Treasurer. By 8.30 nearly all were on their way home, well pleased with the afternoon spent so pleasantly with such a good host and hostess as Mr. and Mrs. Wolcott proved to be.

CHICAGO COIN CLUB—209th meeting, July 1. Sixty-one members and guests were present. The meeting was called to order by President Ripstra. Applications for membership were received from Eugene Ellery, Pierre Page and Dr. G. M. Mammen, subject to action at the next meeting.

A letter was read from E. O. Webb, San Jose, Cal., presenting the Club with a copy of his new book, "Our Metallic Money." A letter was read from Mr. Kortjohn, of the Bronx Coin Club, commenting on our letter on commemoratives. A letter was also read from L. W. Hofferker, of El Paso, Texas, announcing that he was to distribute the Elgin half dollars.

A question-and-answer game devised by Mr. White was put on by Mr. McBrien.

The Club went on record as giving its unanimous support to Mr. Ripstra, Mr. Cederlund and Mr. Wilson, who are candidates for office in the A. N. A.

The club also went on record as being unanimously opposed to the changes in the constitution of the A. N. A. as proposed by Chairman Henry Hunt and President T. James Clarke.

The exhibits were as follows:

Mr. Cederlund: A number of Mexican Revolutionary issues, 1913 to 1916, among which were one Villa peso in copper, Wood's No. 46, and Villa issues in gold of 60, 20, 10, and 5 peso denominations.

Mr. Sternberg: Several uncirculated early cents, and a 1826 \$2.50 gold piece.

Mr. Davis: 26 provisional tax tokens of Illinois.

Mr. Evans: 1878 dollar of the Carson City mint.

Mr. Keefer: Communist issues from Inner Mongolia.

Mr. Powills: Coinage of South Rhodesia, and two beautiful Japanese medals.

Mr. Barger: Half dollars, 1795 to 1825; \$3 gold, 1877, and some large-size bills, among which were bank notes of the First Charter period in denominations of \$1, \$5, \$10 and \$20, and \$1 Federal Reserve Bank Notes from San Francisco, Richmond, Minneapolis and Cleveland.

PHILADELPHIA COIN CLUB—the thirteenth meeting of the Philadelphia Coin Club was held July 9th. Twenty-three members present and five new members admitted.

The extreme heat caused the president to dispense with only the most urgent business. Mr. Patterson gave a report upon his committee's investigation of possibilities for a commemorative coin. Definite action was delayed on the proposal until a later meeting.

It was agreed to continue holding our meetings at the Hobby League Building until the end of the year at least.

The door prize of the evening was won by Mr. Alpigini, and a raffle of one of Scott's new albums for commemorative coins was won by Mr. Weinberg.

The rest of the evening was turned over to the entertainment for display of lots and the usual auction.

Ira S. Reid, of Sellersville, conducted a personal auction of medals, coins and odd lots with all the fanfare and emotion of the true auctioneer.

BRONX COIN CLUB—Thirty-fourth regular meeting, June 24, President Sghia presiding. Twenty-one members and eight visitors were present.

Five interesting and instructive papers were read and the writers were accorded rising votes of thanks. The subjects were: "The Coinage of Lysimachus," by Mr. Stein; "The History and Coinage of Ephesus," by Mr. Mosher; "Life Saving Medals," by Mr. Hentgen; "A Denarius of Marcus Junius Brutus," by Mr. Carpenter, and "United States Coins Commemorative of State Centennials," read by Charles Wormser for Mr. Bullowa.

Charles Wormser was unanimously elected to membership. Mr. John E. Lenker, now residing in Arizona, was reinstated to membership. The application of Mr. Leonard, received in May, will be acted upon in July.

The commemorative coin committee reported on the Lynchburg, the Delaware-Swedish and Bridgeport half dollars. Order blanks were distributed for the Lynchburg pieces. The National Catalogue of United States Coins received on the club order were distributed to the members ordering them.

The nomination of candidates for the various offices of the A. N. A. were announced. The committee chosen for the metropolitan convention consisted of Messrs. Kortjohn, Kennedy and Stein. On this subject Mr. Deas, the chairman of that committee of the New York club, told of several of his ideas and concluded by requesting numismatic articles of an educational nature for a philatelic publication.

The topics for the evening were "Connecticut Cents," "Coins of Countries beginning with the Letter E," and "Life Saving Medals." Exhibits were as follows:

Mr. Arthur: Connecticut cent of 1788 struck over a Nova Constellatio cent; Massachusetts cent of 1787, unc.; Wood's penny of 1722, unc.; cents of 1803 and 1814; copy of Brasher doubloon; original Washington-Liverpool halfpenny of 1791; pattern three cents of 1863 struck in copper.

Mr. Carpenter: Denarius of Marcus Junius Brutus; blue ribbon awarded him for his coin exhibit at the Guaranty Trust Company's Philatelic Societies exhibition.

Mr. Clark: 52 coins of East Africa, Ecuador, Egypt and Esthonia.

Mr. Dewey: Condor pieces; cards and jetons of England; five-inch medal, and very small medal of Admiral Dewey in brass.

Mr. Hentgen: Life-saving medals, including Congressional and Humane Society; several old photographs of the great Chicago fire.

Mr. Kennedy: Coins of England, Essequibo and Demerara, East India Company, and Ecuador.

Mr. Kortjohn: Coins of Egypt and Ecuador; commemorative half dollars of State memorials.

Mr. Kosoff: Guinea of George III of 1790; five guineas of Charles II of 1684; five rubles of Russia of 1841, 1889 and 1900.

Mr. Mosher: Tetradrachms of Eumenes I, Attalus I, Ephesus; cistophorus of Ephesus; obol of Ephesus.

Mr. Parker: Oregon Trail 1936 S mint and San Diego 1936 half dollars.

Mr. Polak: Drachm of Thases, B. C. 350; life-saving medal awarded for rescue of person drowning in Hudson River in 1896.

Mr. Stein: Coins of Lysimachus.

Mr. van der Meer: Dutch medals—Martin Harpersen Tromp, of 1653; Admiral Cornelius Tromp, of 1666; Admiral de Ruiter of 1666; Prince William of Orange and Princess Mary of England, 1641; same couple in Holland, 1642; four Dutch life-saving medals and plaques.

Mr. Werner: Complete set of novel Lincoln cents in gold, silver and copper, seven types; tetradrachm of Ptolemy I, hemidrachm of Rhodes; didrachm of Rhodes; drachm of Athens; didrachm of Neapolis.

C. Wormser: Coins of East India Company, Eichstadt, Erlangen, East Frisia, Eritrea, Esslingen, Emden and Ecuador.

The topics for the July meeting will be "New Jersey Cents," "Coins of France up to the Revolution," "Sharpshooters Medals" and "Coins of Ancient Countries beginning with the Letter F." Papers will be read by Messrs. Arthur, Hentgen and Kennedy.

ROCHESTER NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION—May 19th, 554th meeting, President Harzinski in the chair. Eighteen members and one visitor were present.

A letter was read from Frank C. Ross and ordered placed on file. A second letter was read from the New York Numismatic Club and also ordered filed after it had been thoroughly discussed. A communication from the Museum was received regarding the basis of the charge of the club under the Museum Association. Several other communications were read regarding commemorative coins.

The death of Earl Potter's youngest daughter was announced and flowers were sent.

A motion was made and carried unanimously to oppose the proposed amendment to the A. N. A. Constitution, as published in *The Numismatist*, page 371 of the May issue, on the ground that it was undesirable, as it

Parties and Issues

Now that the national political conventions have been held, platforms adopted, candidates named and notified, the voters will have a breathing spell before serious discussion of the "issues" of the campaign take place. The good citizen naturally is interested in these issues, as he should be.

But the big "issue" with collectors at the present time is commemorative coins and what steps, if any, the A. N. A. shall take at its annual convention at Minneapolis, August 22 to 27, to attempt to remedy some of the apparent unfairness in the distribution of these coins.

In this campaign there are two parties. One believes that the A. N. A. should use all the power it possesses as an organization to remedy this unfairness; the other believes that as an association we should not attempt to regulate U. S. coinage or its distribution and should not become involved in a matter of this kind.

Regardless of any action the convention may take, commemorative coins will be the major topic of conversation in Minneapolis during the convention. You may want to know more about them than you already know—and that is probably plenty. You will want to get the low-down on some of the issues. If interested in commemoratives, make it a point to be present.

Minneapolis, Minn., August 22 to 27.

tended to give unified power and control. The present system has been well established by precedent and contains a check and balance control of the power invested in the officers.

After some discussion concerning the ownership of coins in the society's collection at the museum, it was decided to send a form to each member upon which to declare the coins in the collection that were his property.

The auction was conducted by Mr. Sunday in his usual fine style.

ROCHESTER NUMISMATIC SOCIETY—June 2, 555th meeting, Vice-President Peake presiding. Twenty members and one visitor were present.

A letter was read from the secretary asking to be relieved of the following duties: Chairmanship of the hobby show exhibit committee; writing for the numismatic section of the museum service; arranging the periodic exhibit for the display case in the main hall of the Museum; position on the coin committee. A motion was made and passed to accept the secretary's resignation from these duties, and for President Harzinski to appoint some one else to take over these duties.

A motion was unanimously passed authorizing a 1936 membership list to be mimeographed and sent to each member.

George J. Bauer presented the following 24 coins to the R. N. A. collection in the Museum: Boetia, 600 B. C.; Chios, 500 B. C.; Velia, 400 B. C.; Tacitus, 275 A. D., Constantinus, 325; Constantinus II, 350; Arcadius, 400; Theodosius, 425; Valentianus III, 450; Vandal coin, 500; Onryade, 700, gold; Byzantine, Leo III, 750; France, Cherbourg, 800; Byzantine, Leo VI, 900; Aethelred II, 1000; Edward the Confessor, 1050; bracteate, 1150; Seljuks, 1250; Henry VI, 1450; Papal, Innocent XII, 1700; Austria crown, 1825; Chili, 1875; Peace Dollar, 1920; boliviano, Venezuela, 1900. Mr. Bauer was unanimously thanked for his wonderful generosity in presenting these coins to the society's collection.

BUFFALO NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION—June 22, 211th meeting was called to order by President Stoaks with fifteen members present.

Mr. Hopkins presented a complete series of club tokens for the year 1935 to the club. These are in different colors, metals and fibres. He was extended a vote of thanks for his splendid offering and was authorized to have the 1936 token struck.

Mr. Lloyd gave a colorful talk on the exhibits at the Tri-State Convention held at Jamestown, N. Y. The B. N. A. was well represented and all attending reported an excellent time. An auction was held in the morning and again in the afternoon. Fine lots of commemorative half dollars, U. S. gold, etc., were sold at very good prices.

Mr. Lloyd exhibited various British Colonial coppers, unc. and proof, all of the reign of George V.

BUFFALO NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION—212th meeting, July 13, called to order by Vice-President Wells with thirteen members and one visitor present.

The coming election of the A. N. A. was discussed at some length with Mr. Lloyd as the principal speaker. Mr. Hopkins also spoke on the same subject.

A letter was read from the Chicago Coin Club in reference to the commemorative coin situation and a lively discussion followed.

The meeting adjourned with an excellent auction immediately following.

Exhibits: Mr. Lloyd: \$10 Clearing-House certificate, Augusta Ga., July 1, 1907, Unc.

Mr. Lloyd also presented the club with a Buffalo Centennial Medal 1832-1932.

CALIFORNIA COIN CLUB—101st meeting, July 7th, President Krachey in the chair. Twenty-one members and two guests present.

Ernest R. Wernstrom, California District Secretary, and a member of the Pacific Coast Numismatic Society in San Francisco, was introduced by Mr. Ed M. Lee. In Mr. Wernstrom's remarks to the membership a complete outline was given of the Third Conference and Exhibit to be held in San Francisco in November, all Pacific Coast clubs participating. As chairman of the conference he appointed Mr. Krachey, Dr. Pradeau and Kenneth

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—Drawn exclusively for The Numismatist.

Lee as committeemen for Southern California. He was assured of full cooperation and some fine exhibits from the C. C. C. by President Krachey.

Mrs. McCormick, who has been out of the city for a number of months, is back with us again.

The formal resignation of Treasurer Mitchell was accepted, and Mr. Van Rossem was appointed to take over the job for the balance of the year.

The Rev. Edward W. Thwing was elected to membership.

Dr. Pradeau gave a very interesting talk on Maximilian's coinage and supplemented his talk with actual photographs of all coins of the reign, taken from coins of his own collection.

The President appointed Mr. Jorgensen as the speaker for the August meeting.

A fine auction followed adjournment, with some very choice items changing ownership.

BROOKLYN COIN CLUB—39th meeting, July 1, at the office of Max M. Schwartz, 50 Court St., Brooklyn, N. Y., Vice-President Andrew C. Semple, presiding. Fourteen members and five visitors were present.

Mr. Kraus made his monthly report on new issues.

The following candidates were elected to membership: Messrs. Simon, Parker and Gianatasio.

Lewis Regan, president of the club, arrived and assumed the chair.

Edward T. Newell delivered a very interesting and instructive discourse on ancient coins.

Exhibits were as follows:

Mr. Newell: Denarii of the mints of Terrago of Spain, Lugdunum of Gaul, Rome, Philippi in Macedonia, Ephesus in Asia Minor; drachm of the mint of Caesarea in Cappadonia, struck from dies made at Rome; tetradrachm and aureus for the mint of Antioch in Syria; tetradrachm and aureus for the mint of Alexandria, Egypt.

Mr. Werner: Seventeenth century Paduan, Claudius Marcellus, 43-23 B. C., in gold. A collection of 101 pieces of Roman Family coins during the Republic, in the finest condition. The collection is especially rich in the rarities of the series. It is said that there are only two other collections in existence to compare with it.

A. C. Semple: Dobrao or 5 moeda (20,000 reis) of Brazil, dated 1726. Obv., arms of Brazil; Rev., cross of the Order of Christ, Minas mint. Weight 827.7 gr.

Mr. Schmidt: Sales tax tokens of many States and local issues, in copper, brass, aluminum, wood and cardboard.

Mr. Reagan: 35 different sales tokens and a collection of Roman denarii.

Mr. Kraus: 1936 Oregon Trail half dollar, P mint, and a 1936 San Diego half dollar.

Mr. Schwartz: Several rare proof half dollars.

PACIFIC COAST NUMISMATIC SOCIETY—248th meeting, May 27th. Sixteen members and one guest were present.

The program committee advised that the program had been arranged for the present meeting and that other interesting things were planned for later meetings.

The auction committee advised that they had material for an auction to be held after the meeting.

Albert Martin was unanimously voted an active member.

The coming visit of Mr. and Mrs. Zerbe to San Francisco was reported to the members. It was the desire of the society to entertain them. President Wyman appointed the following committee to plan the entertainment: Ernest R. Wernstrom, chairman, Harvey L. Hansen, Charles Knabenschuh, Basil Brandon and A. F. Williams.

On motion it was decided to accept with regret the resignation of O. A. Rouleau as of January 1st, 1936.

President Wyman called attention to the fact that Mr. Knabenschuh had followed commemorative half dollar issues very closely and appointed him chairman of the commemorative coin committee, with power to appoint his own assistants.

President Wyman asked Vice-President Knabenschuh to take the chair while he spoke regarding the possibility of a third Far Western Numismatic

Conference to be held in San Francisco this fall. Mr. Wernstrom indicated his willingness to call the conference and would proceed to make his plans.

President Wyman reported on his work for the De Young Memorial Museum and the fact that their coins would soon be placed on exhibition again.

The program for the evening consisted of a talk by William Kraft on "Life in the Vatican City." The talk called attention to the size of the population and the use of the Vatican City coins.

On motion the Society proceeded with the auction, President Wyman acting as auctioneer.

DETROIT COIN CLUB—292d meeting, June 18th, President Stehfest presiding. Thirty-one members and six visitors were present.

Stefan Von Skowronski was elected to membership by a unanimous vote.

Mr. Noyes reported on the approximate cost of the dies for a medal to commemorate our 300th meeting to be held in October, 1936. President Stehfest then appointed Mr. Noyes chairman of a committee to handle all details in connection with same and report at a later date. Mr. Dodd advised that it would be compulsory for the club's seal to appear on the medal, although this had not been the case with the 200th meeting medal.

The librarian asked for authority to purchase the following two books for the club's library: "U. S. Store Cards," 1920, by Adams, and "American Numismatic Manual, 1860." He was authorized to purchase them. A short history of the origin of the Detroit Coin Club, prepared by the librarian, was read by Mr. Temple, and members were called upon to comment on same before it would be published in the club's new roster.

Mr. Reidenbach gave a brief talk on the new roster which he had prepared for the librarian.

The secretary advised that the Lynchburg coin had been ordered and that the New Rochelle half dollars would be ordered before the next meeting.

DETROIT COIN CLUB—July 2, 293rd meeting, President Stehfest presiding. Thirty members and five visitors were present.

A number of communications were read.

The applications for membership of Messrs. Sykes, Laird and Gaston were read and referred to the investigation committee.

Mr. Bixler, of the Michigan Commemorative Coin Committee, reported that our Bill, H. R. 12910, was still in committee at Washington and no action could be expected until 1937.

A motion by Mr. Dodd was carried that all members having standing orders furnish the secretary with \$10 per coin on their standing orders, and that the secretary notify all members not present to that effect.

MILWAUKEE NUMISMATIC SOCIETY—June 30. Twenty-first meeting called to order by the chairman, Mr. Burmeister, Jr. Eighteen members and one visitor were present.

Anthony S. Malada was elected a member. One application for membership was received.

Mr. Keaber gave an interesting talk on mines and iron mining, which was very much appreciated.

It was decided to have an outing to Brown Deer Park, at Brown Deer, Wis., August 9th.

Donation: By J. Stewart, Illinois tax token; 1930 Lincoln cent, Unc.

Exhibits were as follows:

Fr. Schilz: 1935 Canada Jubilee dollar, unc.; Germany, 3 mark, 10 mark, 5 mark, all unc.; 1861 Austria, 2½ mark, fine; 1887 Peru, 1 sol, fine; 1920 Mexico, 1 peso; 1904 Panama, 25 cent; 1865 Netherlands, 1 gulden; 1885 Chile, peso; 1797 English cartwheel twopence, ex. fine.

J. Stewart: Eagle cent, 1856, proof, struck in pure copper, only eight known or issued.

ATLANTA COIN CLUB—July 1, Mr. Ketchum, president, in the chair.

The feature of the evening was a talk by Mr. Gonzales on private issue gold coins, of which he has an unusually large collection. His discussion of the subject was highly interesting. Mr. Gonzales has had much better opportunities of securing such coins and finding out interesting things about them than the average collector, during his long residence in Georgia. As

an added attraction Mr. Ketchem brought a large number of gold coins from his collection, including a number of early pieces from Charlotte and Dahlonega mints.

This meeting marked the official end of our big membership contest, which was initiated by President Ketchem several months ago. A total of nine new members were brought in as a result, and the prizes were awarded as follows: Mr. Gonzales, first prize, a fine gold watch; Mr. Hardwick, second prize, a handsome wrist watch; Mr. Warner, third prize, a silver cigarette case. The prizes were donated to the club by Messrs. Tomlinson and Ketchem.

An amendment to the constitution of the club was suggested, to permit a little more freedom in handling memberships. The president appointed a committee to investigate and report at the next meeting.

Exhibits included commemoratives, U. S. colonial, European crowns of the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries, and a complete set of silver and nickel three-cent pieces, proof and uncirculated, by Mr. Hardwick.

PITTSBURGH COIN CLUB—Regular monthly meeting July 1, President Moudy in the chair. Nineteen members and one guest present.

Communications were read from T. J. Clarke, Chicago Coin Club, L. W. Hoffecker and the Texas Memorial Museum.

It was regularly moved and seconded that Mr. Hunt be authorized to represent the Pittsburgh Coin Club at the coming annual convention of the A. N. A. Motion carried.

Mr. Hunt reported briefly on the Jamestown convention, after which various members discussed the commemorative half dollar situation.

Exhibits were as follows:

Mr. Cunningham: Complete set of Presidential medals issued by the United States mint. The exhibit was enclosed in a glass case and was a very attractive display.

Mr. Gibbs: Aztec, Maya; jade, stone, clay, jasper, obsidian, shell media; Philippine Islands, ring and feather money; Kirsí Tribe, Sierra Leone, iron penny; Cowrie's, brass rods; Portuguese Angola ring money; elephant-tail media; gold ring money.

Dr. Gillis: Mint medals of War of 1812; Medal of Washington, by Eccleston, being the only medal showing Washington in armor, mint medal of U. S. Grant.

Literature on display included "Coin Topics", "Numismatist" and "Our Metallic Money."

COLUMBUS NUMISMATIC SOCIETY—July 13, 56th meeting, called to order by President McCrory with eight members and three visitors present.

Four new members were admitted—John Warner, C. J. Stotts, H. D. Lucas and Robert Spiece.

Mr. Dawson reported on the idea of the club buying commemorative coins in lots for the members, and subscription papers were prepared and signed by several members so as to get all the remaining commemorative coins coming out.

Communication from the grievance committee of the Chicago Coin Club regarding commemorative coins was read, and it was moved and seconded to table the letter for the present.

After the business session an auction was held, when some very fine coins were sold at good prices.

CINCINNATI NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION—July 14. Nine members were present as well as three members of the Columbus club.

Mr. Melish exhibited for the first time the new Cincinnati Commemorative coin from the Philadelphia Mint.

On a motion made by Melish and seconded by H. Jones, and carried unanimously, it was decided to make President Franklin D. Roosevelt and Candidate for President Alf. M. Landon honorary members of the Cincinnati Numismatic Association. Mr. Melish, as distributor of the Cincinnati commemorative coins and President of the Cincinnati Musical Center Commemorative Coin Association, stated that he would send a complimentary set of the Cincinnati commemorative coins to Mr. Roosevelt and to Mr. Landon.

Mr. Crosswhite exhibited a wonderful collection of gold coins and com-

memorative half dollars. Dr. Henderson exhibited a possibly unique bank note protector, one of the finest ever seen by any present.

Dr. Henderson suggested a group meeting of the Cincinnati and Columbus clubs at Cincinnati, and Mr. Melish stated that in celebration of the successful issue of the Cincinnati commemorative coins he would invite the Cincinnati and Columbus club members and ladies to a dinner at the Netherland Plaza early in the fall. This may possibly be extended to a convention of the Ohio State Numismatic Society, with a sale.

Messrs. Minor and Pictor were elected members of the Cincinnati Association. President Schwarz, presiding, thanked the Columbus members for their attendance.

THE NUMISMATIC AND ANTIQUARIAN SOCIETY OF PHILADELPHIA

—June 18. A special meeting of the society was held by invitation of Mr. J. Stogdell Stokes at his residence, "Spring Valley Farm," Huntingdon Valley.

The secretary reported a request from Mr. Langenheim for an advance of \$25 to be used at his discretion to purchase coins for the cabinet which the secretary had already asked the treasurer to make. Approved.

Letter read from the New York Numismatic Club regarding proposed change in by-laws by the American Numismatic Association. No action.

For the publication committee, Mr. Carty reported that they were ready to print as soon as the index was completed. On motion of Mr. Gillig- ham, the thanks of the society were extended to Mr. Carty and the publication committee for their unselfish labor in preparing this volume of the proceedings.

Mr. Stokes addressed the society on "Old Furniture and the Collecting of It." Following this part of the address, which included many entertaining collector's stories, the party divided into several groups and under Mr. Stokes' guidance inspected many interesting and beautiful examples of early American furniture throughout the house. Tables having been set on the lawn and pleasant preliminaries observed, the party proceeded to enjoy supper.

HARTFORD NUMISMATIC SOCIETY—24th meeting, June 16, with 11 members and two guests present.

There was on display 249 medals donated to the society by Mr. Merrow, our esteemed member and founder of the society. The letter of presentation was read by President Scott in Mr. Merrow's absence. Mr. Scott spoke briefly on the history of the medals, most of which were Papal medals. The secretary was instructed to write a formal letter of acceptance and thanks to Mr. Merrow for his donation.

The club welcomed back Mr. Batterson, who spoke generally on his recent world tour.

It was voted that the club adjourn until September, which will eliminate the July and August meetings.

OMAHA COIN CLUB—26th meeting, July 3rd, Mr. Thorson presiding in the absence of President Hartman. Wm. A. Gill, Ray Fisk and P. L. Yundt were elected to membership.

A report of the committee on coin displays for the purpose of attracting senior and junior collectors was presented, in which it was recommended that our members be encouraged to make every individual effort along such lines. The committee was given a vote of thanks for its splendid report, and was continued.

A letter from the Chicago club's grievance committee as to commemorative half dollars was read and received our hearty approval.

It was resolved by vote of its members that the Omaha Coin Club sustain the action of the Chicago Coin Club in protest of any change in the A. N. A. Constitution and By-Laws, it being the unanimous conclusion that the proposed amendment should be withdrawn and that the offices of President and Chairman of the Board should be continued separately, and that the functions of the President and the Board of Governors should be continued along the same lines as provided for in the present constitution.

Mr. Stiles, of Cherokee, displayed a unique coin cabinet which he himself fashioned out of wood taken from Old Fort Cherokee. It is adorned with

a very old Chinese door-knocker and contains appropriate carvings done with the assistance of a dentist's drill.

MR. AND MRS. WORMSER IN EUROPE.

A postcard dated July 6 from Moritz Wormser, of New York City, who, with Mrs. Wormser, is in Europe on their honeymoon, reads as follows:

"Just a line the day after the International Numismatic Congress is over and before I fly to Paris tomorrow. We are having a splendid time."

EXHIBIT OF THE H. A. N. A., KANSAS CITY, MO.

The above illustration shows the coin exhibit of the Heart of America Numismatic Association, Kansas City, Mo., at the Midwest Philatelic Show held recently in the Municipal Auditorium in that city. Joseph Schmandt, chairman of the committee, stands between the displays of coins and the



large frame of pictorials. The latter is a large picture of a tiger surrounded by 163 coins depicting animals, birds and snakes from many countries, with the caption "From the Numismatic Zoo." The coins show eagles, lions, buffaloes, bears, snakes, ostriches, kangaroos, dogs, dragons, griffins, birds, chickens, pigs, steers, elephants, horses, oxen, cows, cougars, mules, roosters, Birds of Paradise, fish, whales, owls and rabbits. Arranged in this artistic setting, it attracted many people to the exhibit. This pictorial was designed and displayed by Frank W. Osborn, a member of the Heart of America Numismatic Association.

THE A. N. A.'S FIRST PRESIDENT.

New members will be surprised and old members pleased to learn that the American Numismatic Association's first President, elected in 1891, William G. Jerrems, is still hale and hearty and numismatically active. Mr. Jerrems holds honorary memberships in both the A. N. A. and the Heart of America Numismatic Association. With his charming wife and two of his

delightful children, boy and girl, he makes his home at 5113 Wyandotte Street in Kansas City. He is one of the world's authorities on foreign coins and still has the major part of his once large collection. It amuses the members of the H. A. N. A. to hear Mr. Jerrems spoken of as the "grand old man" of numismatics. They agree he is a grand man but just can't reconcile themselves to the term "old." He is 67 years of age but not 67, years "old," looks 47 and acts 27. A promised talk by Mr. Jerrems always brings a record attendance meeting. He is very proud of his life memberships in the A. N. A. and H. A. N. A. but all who know him agree that the honor is with the organizations.

FRANK C. ROSS.

COINAGE BY MINTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 1936.

Following is the number of pieces of the different denominations coined at the mints of the United States during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1936, as reported by the Bureau of the Mint, Washington, D. C.:

	Philadelphia.	San Francisco.	Denver.
Dollars	1,439,000	.....	.....
Half dollars—regular	9,058,168	4,994,000	1,901,400
Arkansas Centennial	13,014	15,518	15,515
Calif.-Pacific Exp. . . . .	.....	250,132	180,092
Daniel Boone	20,016	7,010	7,008
Old Spanish Trail	10,008	.....	.....
Oregon Trail	10,006	5,006	.....
Providence, R. I.	20,013	15,011	15,010
Texas Centennial	20,016	20,016	20,014
Quarter dollars	31,082,070	6,044,000	7,049,600
Dimes	46,882,015	9,780,000	9,192,000
Five-cent nickels	62,232,614	13,430,000	10,240,000
One-cent bronze	199,830,714	29,192,000	22,800,000

WILLIAM PENN IN THE HALL OF FAME.

In your July issue, in the report of the meeting of the Numismatic and Antiquarian Society of Philadelphia, mention is made of a specially counterstamped issue of the William Penn 250th Anniversary commemoration medals. The counterstamped lettering on the edge reads "Hall of Fame 1936" and commemorates the installation of William Penn in the Hall of Fame at New York University on the 28th of May of this year.

To assist the sponsors of the movement to collect the cost of installation, these medals were issued by the Welcome Society of Pennsylvania, whose members are descendants of colonists who came to Pennsylvania with William Penn in the ship *Welcome* in 1682. One of these medals was offered in acknowledgement for an individual contribution to the fund of \$10 or more. When the die was ready it was decided to strike fifty of the bronze pieces as a first issue. With the course of events there has been no other issue and there will be no more. That is assured.

The Welcome Society still holds a few of these medals, which it will issue on the original terms, i. e., one medal will be given for an individual contribution of \$10 or more to its Penn Hall of Fame Fund. The Society does not look upon this as a sale but rather as an acknowledgement of a contribution to a fund which is now nearly complete. There is, of course, no personal profit to anyone.

To get one of these medals send \$10 or more to the order of The Welcome Society of Pennsylvania, addressed to Henry Paul Busch, 11 Mercer Avenue, Spring Lake, N. J. The medals will be sent by regular mail. Add 15 cents for registration. This medal is already very rare. One only was given to a contributor of \$50, \$100, and even \$500. If contributors exceed the few available, priority of receipt must rule.

My joint interest in aiding the Penn Hall of Fame sponsors and in the society has led me to write this letter.

HENRY PAUL BUSCH.

11 Mercer Avenue, Spring Lake, N. J., July 8, 1936.

Special Coin Bargains for Immediate Sale

Rare Commemorative Half Dollars

1915 Panama-Pacific (retails \$17.50), V. F.	\$12.25
1921 Missouri, plain, (retails \$20.00), Fine	12.25
1922 Alabama, plain, (retail \$10.00), V. F.	7.15
Or the lot of three rare Half Dollars, (retail value unc., \$47.50).	
Special now only—for the three	31.00
(Some day these will be selling for \$30.00 or more each.)	

Bargain in Collection of Indian Head Cents

Set Indian Head Cents, 1857 to 1909, including the rare dates of 1866 to 1870 inclusive. Forty-two (42) all different dates, good to fine. Regular retail price for this set, \$9.20. Special—The entire collection, only	7.15
(Add 15c. for postage and any excess will be refunded you.)	

A Bargain in Copper Coins

One hundred (100) mixed foreign copper and a few nickel coins. Regular retail value \$5.00 and more. Special price for entire lot of 100 coins, only	1.20
(Add 15c. for postage and any excess will be refunded you.)	

A Few Bargains

1921 S Mint Dollar, old type. Unc.	1.65
First type of U. S. Half Dollar, dated 1795. (Retails from \$5.00 to \$10.00 each.) Special, only	3.40
1932 First Washington Quarter Dollar. Unc.	.45

And Here Is Another Bargain

Genuine California Gold Quarter Dollar

Octagonal (8-cornered) Gold Quarter Dollar, variety with Liberty Head. Extremely fine to uncirculated. My regular price is \$2.10 each. But I have a little surplus and offer them now—as long as my limited surplus lasts—at only **\$1.45 each**, or **two for \$2.75**. Postage and registration extra.

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SAVANNAH.

Bank of Savannah, 5c.	\$1'00x
25c.	1.00x
50c.	.75
75c. (1863)	.50
\$1 (Portrait Jenny Lind) .	3.00
\$2 (Proof)	2.00
\$5 (Proof)	2.00
\$10 (Proof)	2.00
\$20 (Proof)	2.00
\$50 (Proof)	2.00
\$100 (Proof)	3.00

Bank of the State of Georgia,	
10c.	.50x
25c.	.40
50c.	.50
\$1	.50
\$2	1.00
\$3 (May 12, 1864)	.75
\$5	.25
\$10	.50
\$20	.75
\$50 (1859)	1.00
\$100 (1856)	1.50x

Central R. R. & Banking Co.,	
5c.	1.00x
10c.	.75
15c.	1.00
20c.	1.00x
50c.	2.00x
75c. (1861)	1.50x
\$1, Proof	3.00
\$2, Proof	3.00
\$5, Proof	3.00
\$10, Proof (C., Primitive	
Train)	3.00
\$100 (1841)	5.00x
\$1000 (1843)	7.50x

Farmers & Manufacturers	
Bank, \$20	1.00x

Farmers & Mechanics Bank,	
10c.	.50x
25c.	.50x
50c.	.50x
75c. (1863)	.50
\$1 (1860)	.30
\$2 (1860)	.50
\$5 (1860)	.40
\$10 (1860)	.60
\$20 (1860)	2.00x
\$50 (1860)	2.00x
\$100 (1860)	3.00x

Marine Bank, 5c. (1863) ...	.50
10c. (1863)	.50
25c. (1863)	.50
50c.	.50
75c.	.50
\$1 (1864)	.50
\$2 (1864)	.50
\$3 (1864)	.60
\$4 (1864)	.75
\$100	2.00x

Mechanics Savings Bank, \$1	2.00x
\$2 (1858)	2.00
\$5	2.00x
\$10	2.00x
\$20 (1855)	2.00
\$50	2.00x
\$100 (1855)	3.00

Mechanics Savings & Loan	
Asso., 5c.	.50x
10c.	.25
15c.	.25
20c. (1862)	1.00x
25c.	.25
50c.	.25
\$1	.25
\$2	.25
\$5	.25

Merchants & Planters Bank,	
5c.	.50x
10c.	.50x
15c.	.75x
25c. (1863)	.50
50c. (1863)	.50
75c. (1863)	.50
\$1	.15
\$2	.15
\$3 (Portrait of Clay)	.25
\$5	.15
\$10	.50
\$20	1.00
\$50	.50
\$100	1.00

Planters Bank, 5c.	.50x
10c. (1861)	.50x
25c.	.50
50c.	.50
\$1	1.00
\$2	.50
\$5 (1856)	1.00
\$10 (1855)	1.00
\$20 (Portrait Washing-	
ton)	1.00
\$50	2.00x
\$100	2.00x

Timber Cutters Bank, 20c.,	
(1863)	1.00x
25c.	1.00x
75c.	1.50x
\$1	.50
\$2	1.00
\$5	.50
\$10	1.00
\$20	1.00
\$50 (Proof)	2.00

ST. MARYS.

Bank of St. Marys, \$5	1.00x
\$10	1.50x

THOMASVILLE.

Cotton Planters Bank, 50c..	1.00x
\$2 (1862)	1.00x

WASHINGTON.

Bank of the State of Geor-	
gia, Branch, \$5	.50
\$10 and \$20, each	1.00x
\$100 (1850)	2.00x

(x) Indicates that the note is out-of-stock now.

D. C. WISMER

Hatfield,

Pennsylvania.

COMMEMORATIVE HALF DOLLARS

Columbus	1892		\$ 1.25
Columbus	1893		1.00
Pan-Pacific	1915		18.00
Lincoln	1918		1.50
Pilgrim	1920		2.50
Pilgrim	1921		7.50
Maine	1920		7.50
Grant	1922		3.00
Monroe	1923		2.50
Huguenot	1924		4.50
Lexington	1925		2.50
Stone Mountain	1925		1.50
California	1925		3.50
Fort Vancouver	1925		8.50
Norse American	1925	Thick	2.50
Norse American	1925	Thin	6.50
Sesqui-Centennial	1926		1.75
Oregon	1926		2.00
Oregon	1926	S	2.00
Vermont	1927		4.00
Hawaii	1928		12.50
Oregon	1928		6.00
Oregon	1933		10.00
Oregon	1934		6.00
Texas	1934		2.00
Boone	1934		4.50
Boone	1935		4.00
Boone	1935	S	4.50
Boone	1935	D	4.50
Connecticut	1935		7.50
Arkansas	1935		4.00
Hudson	1935		10.00
San Diego	1935		2.00
Spanish Trail	1935		7.50
Boone, with small 1934 date	1935		2.50
Boone, with small 1934 date	1935	S and D Mint, rare pair.	75.00
Texas	1935		
Texas	1935	D—Set of 3	7.50
Texas	1935	S	
Texas	1936		
Texas	1936	D—Set of 3	7.50
Texas	1936	S	
Oregon	1936		6.00
Oregon	1936	S	10.00
Isabella ¼ Dollar	1893		3.00

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ALL COINS POSTAGE AND INSURANCE EXTRA.
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At the time this ad. was made up, all of the above coins were in stock. With the active market for all Commemoratives it is a waste of time to write and ask if I still have them. Send along your check, and you will get the coins, or, if out of stock, immediate return of your money, as I issue no credits.

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As I Am Buying All the Time, Your Want List Is Respectfully Solicited.
No Lists.
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WM. RABIN

905 Filbert St.

Philadelphia, Pa.

SUMMER BARGAINS

The following items are for sale during August only at fixed prices. Terms, cash with order, insurance and postage prepaid. Prompt delivery or immediate return of your money. Nothing on approval, but all coins guaranteed to please, or your money back.

U. S. Fractional Currency, v. fine to unc., 5c. bill, 30c; 10c. bill, 40c.; 25c. bill, 50c.; 50c. bill for	\$.75
American Colonial Bill, very good, dated 1773	.75
Confederate States \$100 bills, 3 diff. kinds, unc.	.50
Old U. S. Army Sutler Notes, two uncut sheets of three, diff., 25c. to \$1.00. Green and black. Unc., crisp	1.10
U. S. Proof Set, 8 pcs., 1880	7.75
U. S. Proof Set, 8 pcs., 1882	8.25
U. S. Proof Set, 6 pcs., 1894	6.00
U. S. Nickel 3c., 16 diff. dates, fine to proof, 30 pcs. for	5.50
U. S. Proof Trade Dollars: 1879, ea. \$3.00; 1880, ea. \$2.75; 1881-82 ea.	3.25
1879 Half Dollar, brill., unc., proof surface	2.10
18 old U. S. Half Dollars, bust type, diff. dates, 1806 to 1837. Good to v. fine. For the lot	12.50
1916 Half Dollar, new type, "D" mint mark on obverse, unc.	2.50
Half Dollars, 1934 P, 1934 S, 1935 P, unc., each	1.00
1934 PEACE Dollar, silver, uncirculated, each	1.25
1900 Silver dollar, "O" mint, very fine	1.60
1935 Canada Silver Dollar, first issued, bust George V, unc.	1.75
1936 Canada new Silver Dollar, larger bust, on 25th year of his reign, uncirculated	1.75
1857 "S" mint \$3.00 gold, very good, holed	4.75
1876 California gold round quarter, genuine, unc.	1.25
1873 U. S. silver 3-cent piece, proof, rarest date, only 600 coined, each.....	2.75
1799 U. S. large cent, very fair, everything shows, tops of both 9's clear, guaranteed	16.00
1837 Large Cent, Andrews No. 8, uncirculated, olive brown	2.50
1793 Half Cent, very fair, about good, rare	4.50
Half Cents, 1804-09-26-29-35-55, very good to fine, lot for	1.75
Foreign silver coins, dollar size, average fine, 8 diff. for	5.25
100 large U. S. Cents, poor to good, some holed, lot for	3.00
50 U. S. Two Cent pieces, fair to good, lot	2.00
30 diff. U. S. Half Dimes, diff. dates, average good, lot for	4.75
Washington Quarters, 1932, 1934, 1935 P and D, unc., the 4 for	1.50
American Colonial coin, very good, 50c.; 3 diff. for	1.25
1783 Washington Cent, with bust, proof restrike	1.50
1860 Dime, with stars, "S" mint, fine	2.25
1880 Dime, unc., each	.35
Dimes, 1916-17-26-29 PDS-31 DS-34 P, 35 D, unc. lot of 10 for	2.25
1883 Nickel 5c. pieces, without word CENTS, fine to unc., 48 for	4.25
State of Washington sales tax tokens, round, unc., 20 for	.50
Napoleon the Great, 4 diff. silver coins with his bust, up to dollar size, over 130 years old, good lot	1.75
World War Victory Medal, U. S., 1917-1918, with ribbon, fine	.75
U. S. Life Saving medal, Steamer Metis disaster, 1872, 2½ in., bronze, superb	1.75
Phila. Fire Dept. medal, 1865, bronze, diam. 2 in., unc.	.75
Satirical World War medal, by Karl Goetz of Munich, diam. 2¼ in., bronze, each \$1.25, three different for	3.25
Fossil sharks' teeth from South Carolina phosphate beds, several sizes and styles, finely polished, millions of years old, lot of 16 for	1.00
U. S. Centennial of Independence. Liberty with sword, dollar size, 1776-1876, brass, very fine, each	.65
Philip IV billion deniers and half deniers, good to fine, very old, lot of 9 for	2.00

M. H. BOLENDER
Orangeville, Illinois



P. TINCHANT,
NUMISMATIST

19 Ave. des Arts
BRUSSELS, BELGIUM

The price of these coins is given in my monthly list, which will be sent free on request. Let me know your wants. I will try to satisfy them.

Important Announcement

A Series of very interesting **Auction Sales** will be held this Fall. Among the consignments we have is **Part I** of the collection belonging to

MR. J. A. KERINS
Glasgow, Scotland

which will feature many scarce and rare items in American Colonials and coins of the Continent.

You Too! may make reservations to place your collection in one of our next **Auction Sales**.

FIRST FALL AUCTION SALE IN SEPTEMBER WATCH FOR YOUR CATALOGUE

Why not write to-day and secure the information you may desire as to our Reasonable Terms, mailing list, average personal attendance, dates of sale, etc.

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To See Who Could Spend the Most
Money in the Next 20 Days.

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Morton Stack will buy choice and rare Large
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Shirley Stack is the buyer of proof and uncir-
culated Small Cents and Commemoratives

Jos. B. Stack—Well, he is the one who buys
Proof Sets and Gold Coins

**WRITE US TODAY WHAT YOU HAVE TO
OFFER AND THE PRICE YOU WANT**

No Amount Too Large or Small

WE WILL PAY THESE PRICES

U. S. GOLD COINS

\$1.00	\$1.60
\$2.50	3.75
\$5.00	7.50
\$10.00	15.25
\$20.00	31.00

ALSO BUY FOREIGN GOLD COINS

COMMEMORATIVES

1921 Missouri 2x4	\$14.00
1921 Alabama	3.50
1921 Alabama 2x2	8.00
1928 Oregon	2.50
1921 Pilgrim	3.50
1925 Vancouver	6.00
1926 Sesqui-Centennial . . .	1.50
1936 Boone S and D, Pair..	5.75
Must Be Uncirculated	

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690 Sixth Avenue

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New York, N. Y.

UNITED STATES COMMEMORATIVE HALF DOLLARS

ALL UNCIRCULATED

	Bid.	Ask.		Bid.	Ask.
1892 Columbian	\$.65	\$1.25	1935 Boone S	2.75	4.50
1893 Columbian	.55	.70	1935 Boone, Small		
1915 Pan-Pacific	14.00	16.50	1934	1.25	2.00
do., V. fine	—	13.00	1935 Boone D small		
1918 Lincoln	.70	.95	1934 and S Sm.		
1920 Maine	4.00	4.75	1934	50.00	69.00
1920 Pilgrim	1.00	1.40	1935 Connecticut . . .	4.00	4.75
1921 Pilgrim	4.00	6.00	1935 Arkansas	2.00	2.50
1921 Missouri	14.00	21.00	1935 Arkansas D . . .	2.75	3.50
1921 Missouri 2x4 . . .	17.50	27.50	1935 Arkansas S . . .	2.75	3.50
1921 Alabama	4.00	5.50	1935 Hudson	7.00	8.50
1921 Alabama, v. fine . .	—	4.20	1935 San Diego	1.00	1.50
1921 Alabama 2x2 . . .	12.00	17.00	1935 Old Spanish Tr.	4.50	5.75
1922 Grant	1.60	2.50	1935 Texas	1.25	2.00
1922 Grant "STAR". . .	43.00	60.00	1935 Texas D	1.25	2.00
1923 Monroe	.90	1.50	1935 Texas S	1.25	2.00
1924 Huguenot	2.50	3.50	1936 Arkansas	1.25	1.70
1925 Lexington	1.00	1.40	1936 Arkansas D . . .	1.25	1.70
1925 Stone Mountain . .	.60	.85	1936 Arkansas S . . .	1.25	1.70
1925 California	2.00	2.35	1936 Providence . . .	1.20	1.90
1925 Vancouver	6.50	7.50	1936 Providence D . .	1.90	2.90
1925 Norse Thin	3.00	4.50	1936 Providence S . .	1.90	2.90
1925 Norse Thick	.80	1.65	1936 Boone P	.90	1.20
1926 Sesqui	1.20	1.60	1936 Boone D	2.50	4.00
1926 Oregon	1.10	1.45	1936 Boone S	2.50	4.00
1926 Oregon S	1.10	1.35	1936 Oregon P	2.00	4.50
1927 Bennington	2.00	3.00	1936 Oregon S	4.50	7.50
1928 Hawaii	9.00	11.50	1936 Texas	1.25	1.80
1928 Oregon	2.75	4.00	1936 Texas D	1.25	1.80
1933 Oregon	6.00	8.50	1936 Texas S	1.25	1.80
1934 Oregon	2.50	4.00	*1936 Long Island . .	1.40	2.00
1934 Maryland	1.00	1.50	*1936 Cleveland . . .	1.40	2.00
1934 Texas	.80	1.20	1936 San Diego	1.25	2.00
1934 Boone	2.25	3.50	*1936 Wisconsin . . .	—	2.00
1935 Boone	1.75	2.75	*1936 Cincinnati P, D, S—Write		
1935 Boone D	2.75	4.50	— for prices.		

SPECIAL! COMPLETE SET, one of each coin listed above (except those preceded by an asterisk), mounted in Scott's Coin Album pages, only \$335! Sent postpaid and insured.

"BID" prices are what we will pay for nice Uncirculated coins. We can use circulated coins at discounts from these prices. Submit them for an offer.

"ASK" prices are our selling prices. Satisfaction guaranteed or your money refunded. Prices good while present stock lasts.

Above offers made to readers of The Numismatist.

Postage extra on orders under \$5.00.

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Springfield, Mass.

(H. E. MacIntosh, Mgr., A. N. A. 4654)

Commemorative Half Dollars

ALL UNCIRCULATED

1892 Columbian.....	\$1.25	1934 Boone.....	\$3.00
1893 Columbian.....	.90	1935 Boone.....	2.75
1915 Pan-Pacific.....	17.50	1935 Boone D.....	3.50
1918 Lincoln.....	1.45	1935 Boone S.....	3.50
1920 Maine.....	5.25	1935 Boone small 1934...	2.00
1920 Pilgrim.....	2.00	1935 Boone D small 1934 }	75.00
1921 Pilgrim.....	10.00	1935 Boone S small 1934 }	
1921 Missouri.....	27.00	1935 Connecticut.....	5.50
1921 Missouri 2 x 4.....	25.00	1935 Arkansas.....	3.50
1921 Alabama.....	5.00	1935 Arkansas D.....	4.50
1921 Alabama 2 x 2.....	15.00	1935 Arkansas S.....	4.50
1922 Grant.....	2.75	1935 Hudson.....	8.00
1922 Grant "STAR".....	55.00	1935 San Diego.....	1.60
1923 Monroe.....	2.00	1935 Old Spanish Trail...	6.50
1924 Huguenot.....	4.00	1935 Texas.....	2.50
1925 Lexington.....	1.65	1935 Texas D.....	2.50
1925 Stone Mountain.....	1.15	1935 Texas S.....	2.50
1925 California.....	3.00	1936 Arkansas.....	1.75
1925 Vancouver.....	8.00	1936 Arkansas D.....	1.75
1925 Norse Thin.....	6.50	1936 Arkansas S.....	1.75
1925 Norse Thick.....	2.50	1936 Providence.....	3.00
1926 Sesqui.....	2.25	1936 Providence D.....	3.50
1926 Oregon.....	2.50	1936 Providence S.....	3.50
1926 Oregon S.....	2.25	1936 Boone.....	2.00
1927 Bennington.....	3.00	1936 Boone D.....	3.50
1928 Hawaii.....	12.00	1936 Boone S.....	3.50
1928 Oregon.....	5.00	1936 Oregon.....	4.00
1933 Oregon.....	10.00	1936 Texas.....	2.00
1934 Oregon.....	4.00	1936 Texas D.....	2.00
1934 Maryland.....	1.75	1936 Texas S.....	2.00
1934 Texas.....	1.60	1936 Long Island.....	2.00

This list cancels all previous prices. May 5, 1936.

The above price changes should be made on U. S. Commemorative half-dollars, as listed on pages 6 and 7 of our 1936 Coin Cat. No. 4.

Prices on Commemoratives are advancing daily, and we urge you to buy *now* if you wish to avoid the inevitable price advances. These coins make an unusually sound and profitable form of investment. Many of these coins are of limited issues, ranging from 2,000 to 10,000 each. Many of the above coins will be selling at double these prices within one year.

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SPRINGFIELD, MASS.

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36	Adk.	1.70	-
36	Brown	1.20	
36	Mk	1.80	
26	Oxygen	4.70	
		1.45	
		6.15	
		2.65	
		3.50	

CLARENCE E. MOORE
122 MULBERRY STREET
ROCHESTER, N. Y.

May 21, 1936.

Tatham Coin Co.,
Springfield, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I am enclosing P. O. Money Order
for \$2.65 for which please send me one Oregon
S, Com. Half Dollar as offered in last issue
of The Numismatist. Year of 1936.

Fifteen Cents postage included in
remittance.

Yours very truly,

Clarence E. Moore

A. N. A. 3447.

*Sorry, all sold out. Is there
anything else you can use?*

Tatham Stamp & Coin Co.
Springfield, Mass.

ANNOUNCING FIRST FALL SALE

SEPTEMBER 6, 1936

This will be one of the most representative sales I have ever held with material for every class of collector.

Consignments sent in now will get in this sale.

A postcard puts you on my mailing list.

Cleveland Commemorative coins for sale.

What are your wants in coins?

**BE SURE AND ATTEND
THE GREAT LAKES EXPOSITION
IN CLEVELAND**

JUNE 27th TO OCTOBER 4th.

CHAS. H. FISHER

922 Guardian Bldg., Cleveland, Ohio

"The Vacation City of America"

Meet Me at the Convention in Minneapolis.

Buy Now. Don't Wait For Fall Prices.

New Medals

Old Historic Fairbanks Homestead at Dedham, Massachusetts \$.20

Bristol, R. I., Tercentenary Medal \$.20

Rhode Island Tercentenary Medal showing the Landing of Roger Williams \$.15

The three medals mailed to you postpaid for \$.50

Set of Rhode Island Half Dollars P, S and D, at—per set. . \$9.00

WANTED TO EXCHANGE

Rhode Island Tercentenary Half Dollars for mint red Indian and Lincoln head cents. Advise quantity and dates.

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I will also exchange Rhode Islands for Bennington, Cooke, Diamond Jubilee, Alabama, Huguenot and Grant Commemorative Half Dollars, or I will pay cash for any coins mentioned above if your price is reasonable.

HORACE M. GRANT
109 Empire St.
PROVIDENCE, R. I.

The investor and collector took advantage of my offer to sell mint red and uncirculated

1909 Lincoln cents with V. D. B. 500 left at \$6.50 per hundred.

500 1910 P. mint Lincoln cents, mint red, uncirculated.

25 for \$3.50—50 for \$6.50.
Only 50 to a customer.

To the Western and Pacific Coast Dealer and Investors I offer a limited number of mint red 1934 P mint Lincoln cents at \$2.90 per 100.

1935 P mint at \$2.50 per 100.

1936 P mint at \$1.95 per 100.

All charges prepaid.

NEW COMMEMORATIVE ISSUE

.Hold your breath on this one.)

For the first Fifty Dollar Certified Check, I will mail when received, a set of the Foster-Cincinnati Half Dollars. A stiff price, but watch them hit the hundred mark.

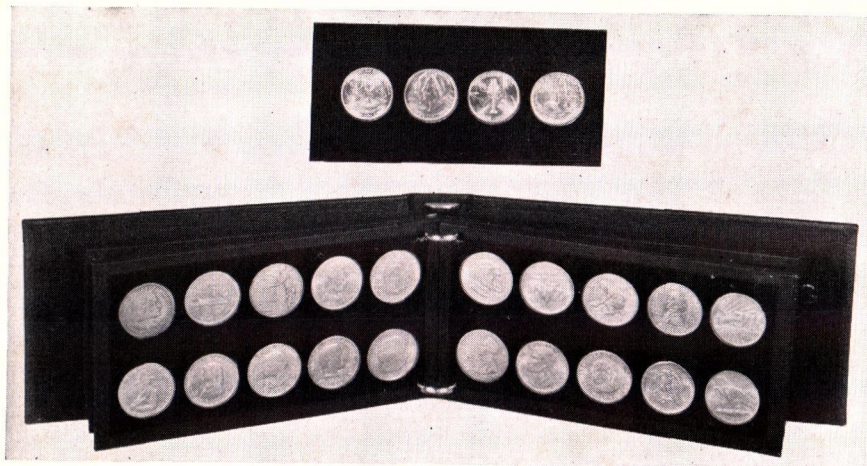
York County, Maine, half dollar is expected about August 10. My price of \$2.00 includes insurance and postage.

Grant's Service on Commemorative Half Dollars keeps you posted on all new issues. Write for prices.

Buy Now. Don't Wait For Fall Prices.

Attention—Collectors and Dealers

Wynne's Pocket Coin Album And Mailing Holder



Size of Album $4\frac{1}{2} \times 8\frac{1}{2}$ —Will fit the coat pocket.

This album contains six pages and holds sixty Commemorative Half Dollars. A celluloid strip covers each row of coins and is easily removed from one side of album. Both sides of coin may be seen. Made of black material which shows up the silver coins. **PRICE \$4.00.**

Maker of the Cincinnati and Cleveland Holder.

Special Albums Made to Order, Any Size.

MAILING HOLDER, SIZE $3\frac{1}{4} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$.

The small mailing coin holder shown above has four Half Dollar holes with celluloid slide to cover the coins. Handy size for use in mailing coins. This holder made in all sizes, from 1 cent to 1 dollar. Also made for the new Proof Sets. This holder can be used for filing cabinets. Special prices to dealers and distributors of Commemorative Half Dollars. Postage extra on holders when sold at wholesale prices to dealers. **Price, Each, 10 cents.**

Cleveland Half Dollars, while they last	\$ 2.75
Providence, any Mint, Unc.	4.00
Missouri—Plain, Unc.	25.00
McKinley Dollar Gold, Unc.	4.50
Grant Dollar, Gold, With Star, Unc.	6.50

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A. N. A. 5022

1360 Spruce Place, Room 3, Minneapolis, Minn.

SAN FRANCISCO

"S" MINT CENTS

The receipt of many letters of inquiry for "S" Mint cents in conditions less than Uncirculated at proportionately lower prices has convinced me that a real demand exists for practically all dates of the "S" Mint series. I have listed all dates issued in three different conditions with a sliding scale of prices based upon the ease or difficulty with which individual specimens can be obtained. Naturally, some of these dates in Very Good condition can be readily obtained from circulation here in San Francisco. In these instances the buyer is simply paying for the service rendered. However, as I stand prepared to pay a good premium myself for the scarce dates of the "S" Mint cents, I am compelled to ask proportionately more for these specimens. All dates of the "S" Mint cents are offered individually and in complete sets. No cent pieces were coined at San Francisco prior to 1908 or during 1922 and 1932-33-34.

	V. F.	FINE.	V. G.
INDIAN HEAD			
1908	\$.65	\$.40	\$.25
1909	1.00	.65	.40
LINCOLN HEAD			
1909 VDB	.65	.40	.25
1909 Plain	.30	.20	.10
1910	.30	.20	.10
1911	.30	.20	.10
1912	.30	.20	.10
1913	.30	.20	.10
1914	.50	.25	.10
1915	.30	.20	.10
1916	.30	.10	.05
1917	.30	.10	.05
1918	.30	.10	.05
1919	.30	.10	.05
1920	.30	.10	.05
1921	.30	.10	.05
1923	.20	.10	.05
1924	.20	.10	.05
1925	.30	.20	.10
1926	.20	.10	.05
1927	.20	.10	.05
1928	.20	.10	.05
	UNC.	V. F.	FINE
1929	.20	.10	.05
1930	.15	.10	.05
1931	.50	.25	—
1935	.10	.05	—

Complete Sets "S" Mint cents 1908 thru 1935—26 pieces:

Very Good Condition	\$2.00
Fine Condition	3.50
Very Fine Condition	6.50

1912 "S" Mint 5c. Nickel.

This is the first year a 5c. nickel was made at the San Francisco Mint and the coinage was the smallest of the later date Liberty Head Nickels. I have a small supply of this scarce nickel in about Very Good condition. These are far from choice specimens, but this coin has now become difficult to obtain in any condition. **Price 25c. each.**

1931 "S" Mint 5c. Nickel.

This is another "hard-to-get" date of the San Francisco Mint. For a modern coin the coinage was extremely small. Only the San Francisco Mint coined 5c. nickels in 1931. These coins are available at following prices:

Uncirculated	\$.50
Ex. Fine	.30
Very Fine	.20

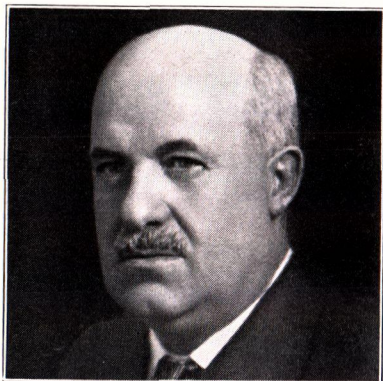
Postage extra on orders less than \$1.00. Have now made arrangements for more expeditious handling of orders upon receipt so that delay in handling that some collectors have encountered in the past has been eliminated.

R. A. WEBB, Numismatist

P. O. Box 1727, San Francisco, Calif.

For A. N. A. President

J. HENRI RIPSTRA



**Former Member of the
Board of Governors.**

**President of the
Chicago Coin Club**

Pledged to sustain the status of the board of governors and other elective officers.

Is opposed to any change in the method of annual elections that would deprive members not attending conventions of their vote.

Why he is a candidate

To oppose the changes as advocated by the present president and chairman of the board of governors. We quote the following excerpts from a letter written by the president to members.

"This could be done by making certain changes in our constitution and By-Laws whereby the **MEMBERS ASSEMBLED AT ANY CONVENTION**,* would elect a president, vice-president and five members which would constitute an executive board of seven members, and which board would be the governing body for the A. N. A. and The Numismatist.

This board or committee could then nominate and elect the treasurer and general secretary and the editor and business manager of The Numismatist, **OR BETTER STILL**, to authorize the President to appoint the treasurer and general secretary and editor and business manager of The Numismatist, which appointments must be confirmed, ratified and approved by the majority of the members of the executive board. The president would be further authorized to appoint a corresponding secretary whose duties would be to assist with such matters as would come before the executive committee."

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Following U. S. Commemoratives, Patterns and Miscellaneous Coins will be sold to bidders submitting highest bids up to and including August 25th, 1936.

UNCIRCULATED COMMEMORATIVES

- Lot.
1. 1892 Columbian.
 2. 1893 Columbian.
 3. 1915 Panama-Pacific. (Rare).
 4. 1918 Lincoln.
 5. 1918 Lincoln (5 pcs.).
 6. 1920 Maine. (Scarce).
 7. 1920 Pilgrim.
 8. 1921 Pilgrim. (Rare).
 9. 1921 Missouri (plain). Fine.
 10. 1921 Alabama (2x2). Rare.
 11. 1922 Grant (plain).
 12. 1923 Monroe (V. F.).
 13. 1924 Huguenot-Walloon.
 14. 1925 Stone Mountain. (4 pcs.).
 15. 1925 Ft. Vancouver. Rare.
 16. 1925 California.
 17. 1925 Lexington-Concord.
 18. 1925 Norse American, thin. Rare.
 19. 1925 Norse Am., thick. 3 pcs.
 20. As above, 3 pcs.
 21. 1926 Oregon Trail.
 22. 1926 S. Oregon Trail.
 23. 1926 Sesquicentennial.
 24. 1927 Bennington.
 25. 1928 Hawaiian. Rare.
 26. 1934 Texas.
 27. 1934 Maryland.
 28. 1934 Boone. Scarce.
 29. 1935 Boone.
 30. 1935 D. Boone.
 31. 1935 S. Boone.
 32. 1935 Arkansas.
 33. 1936 D. Providence. Scarce.
 34. 1936 S. Providence.
 35. 1936 P. D. S. Providence (3 pcs.).
 36. 1936 As above. (3 pcs.).
 37. 1933 D. Oregon Trail. (Rare).
 48. 1808 Half Dollar, Fine.
 49. 1811 Small "8." Fine.
 50. 1812 Half Dol. V. Fine.
 51. 1813 Half Dol. Fine.
 52. 1817 Half Dol. V. Fine.
 53. 1820 Half D. (sm. curled 2). V. F.
 54. 1823 Half Dollar. V. F.
 55. 1824 over 21 Half Dol. Ex. Fine.
 56. 1824 and 1825 Half Dols. Fine and V. F. (2 pcs.).
 57. 1827 Half Dol. "ORALF" on edge. V. F.
 58. 1827-29 Half Dols. V. F. 2 pcs.
 59. 1829 over '27 Half Dol. "LF" on edge. Bril. Unc. Scarce.
 60. 1829 over '27 Half Dol. V. Fine.
 61. 1831-32 Half Dols. V. F. 2 pcs.
 62. 1833 Half Dol. "ORLF" on edge. V. F.
 63. 1842 O. 1847 O Half Dols. F. 2 pcs.
 64. 1843-45 Half Dols. F. & V. F. 2 pcs.
 65. 1853 Half Dol. Arrows, Rays. E. F.
 66. 1853 O Half D. Arrows, Rays. V. G.
 67. 1842 Half Dol. (large date). V. F.
 68. 1826 Half Dollar. V. G.

TRADE DOLLARS.

69. 1879 (only 1541 struck) Bril. Proof.
70. 1880 (only 1987 struck) Bril. Proof.
71. 1881 (only 960 struck) Bril. Proof.
72. 1874 Trade Dollar. Proof.
73. 1856 Dollar, Scarce. (V. Fine).
74. 1870 CC Dol. (12,462 coined) Fine.
75. 1798 Dollar, Heraldic Eagle. V. G.
76. 1900 Lafayette-Wash. Dol. Unc.
77. 1805 Quarter Dollar. Rare. V. F.

Lot.

84. Three Cents, Nickel, 1865 to 1889, incl. 20 pcs. all different. F. to Proof. Several Proofs.
85. 1853 Five Francs Belgium Pattern. Unc.

U. S. PATTERN COINS.

86. 1859 Half Dol., A.-W. 295, Longacre Obv., Rev. ½ Dollar in wrth. Silver Proof, between 76 and 100 struck. V. Rare.
87. 1867 Five Cents, A.-W. 623. Reg. Obv., Rev. 2nd adopted type of yr., without rays. Only 13 to 15 struck. Copper Proof.
88. 1869 Half Dol., A.-W. 739. Beautiful Head, one star. Rev. Standard Silver 50 Cents in wreath, date below, reeded edge. Silver Proof. 51 to 75 struck. Very Rare.
89. 1870 Half Dol., A.-W. 920, Liberty Head with turban, 2 stars. Rev., Standard, above 50 Cents 1870 in wreath, reeded edge. Alum. Proof. Only 21 to 25 struck. Ex. Rare.
90. 1870 Dime, A.-W. 1006. Same type as Lot 89. Silver. V. Fine. 21 to 25 struck.
91. 1871 Dollar, A.-W. 1125. Longacre's Beautiful Indian Princess with stars, milled edge. Rev. Regular dies. Exceedingly rare. Only 6 to 8 struck. Cop. Proof.
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96. 1872 Dollar, A.-W. 1248. The beautiful and rare Commercial Dollar. Indian Princess seated on globe, banners in back. Rarity 12, only 6 to 8 were struck. Recent sale record of \$41. Silver Proof.
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- Lot.
101. 1879 Dollar, A.-W. 1589, Morgan Obv. muled with Barber Reverse, eagle with olive branch and arrows in talons. Motto above in small letters. Copper proof. Very Rare. Only 13 to 15 struck.
102. 1883 Five Cents, A.-W. 1689. Liberty head, legend around border; Rev. 50N. 50C. in wreath. Brilliant Nickel Proof. V. Rare, not over 25 struck. Recent sale record \$10.25.

- Lot.
103. 1883 Five Cents, A.-W. 1696, "Liberty" above head. Rev. without "Cents." Bril. Nickel Proof. V. Rare. Not over 25 struck.
104. 1873 Trade Dollar Pattern, Liberty seated on Globe. Rev. Eagle with small shield. Silver Pf. V. scarce.
105. 1856 Pattern Five Cents. Obverse type of regular issue. Rev., large fig. 5 in wrth. Nickel Pf. V. Rare.

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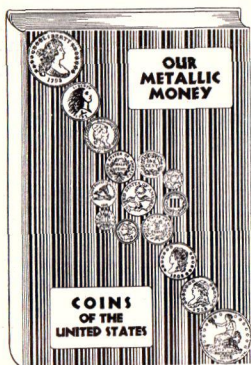
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